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# For Clinton, Foreign Policy Comes Afterward

By Thomas L. Friedman

WASHINGTON — During a meeting of the president's top economic advisers last week, Alice M. Rivim, the deputy budget director, was describing areas of the country that would be affected by the withdrawal of a federal timber subsidy when she found herself being corrected by President Bill Clinton over which trees were found where.

A short time later, Mr. Clinton's foreign-policy advisers

were gathered in the Roosevelt Room poring over a map of Bosnia, in a nearly four-hour session intended in establish policy for the Balkans, its first majnr foreign-policy initiative. The president did not correct anyone about details on Bosnia.

While Bill Clinton is being accused of stepping back from some campaign promises, there is one promise that for now he appears to be holding firm to: spending less time than his predecessor enmeshed in the nitty gritty of foreign policy.

When Mr. Clinton gathered his cahinet and other top

advisers at Camp David last weekend, some in the room were struck by what was missing when be ticked off what he viewed as the goals of his administration for the first 100 days.

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The list went like this: economic recovery plan, health care plan, welfare reform, political reform, nanonal service. There was not a single mention of a foreign-policy objective. No wonder some lower-ranking members of Mr. Clinton's foreign-policy team have confided to their colleagues working on economic and health policy about how jealous they are at the quality time the number-crunchers get to spend with the president, compared with those dealing with foreign affairs.

"The president has basically told us all, if he can get an economic package through Congress and a health package through Congress, everything will be all right," a senior administration official said.

"If he can't, it won't be all right, t'm sure he's interested in foreign policy, hut right now it's just not where he is focused. It's not where he is immersing himself in the details. None of us would accuse him of micro-managing it."

It is not that Mr. Clinton is ignoring the myriad problems that confront the United States abroad, aides said, but rather that he has essentially delegated foreign-policy formulation in Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher; Defense Secretary Les Aspin: the national security adviser, W. Anthony Lake: and Mr. Lake's deputy, Samuel R. Berger.

On domestic policy issues, Mr. Clinton is personally absorbed in the give and take. But on foreign policy he has basically asked these aides to work out solutions and then submit them to him to be approved or rejected.

Under broad guidelines set by Mr. Clinton, they worked ou the policy on how to limit the influx of Haitian refugees and then briefed him about it; they worked out the compromise on the deportees in Lebanon and then briefed him about it; and they are working up the new policy for Bosnia and briefing him about it. They were also the architects of a more integrated

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FREE-MARKET BREADLINE -- Romanians tining up to buy bread from a private-baker in Bucharest. The bread costs five times more than that sold in state bakeries.

# Ross Perot, the Permanent Candidate, Eludes Oblivion

By Henry Allen
Washington Post Service
ORONO, Maine — You wonder if Ross Perot will be with us forever, like Zsa Zsa Gabor or Ralph Nader — a living legend a permanent fixture in the American psyche, one of those people who, as the years roll by, start to make you wonder whether they're dead yet or not, like Norman Vincent Peale. He should be dead now, politically transported into that loser's oblivion that claimed John Anderson or Jimmy Carter

(and he was president). But a couple of weeks after the inauguration of Bill Clinton, who got 43 percent of the vote to Perot's 19 percent, Ross Perot was stumping around Maine, a three-city tour, alive as you and me, waving newspapers like Will Rogers, giving 'em hell like Harry Truman, being cute as a character in a Norman Rockwell painting (the character who

winks at you from the barber chair) and barking away in his dry drawl like a circle saw that just hit a knot

He seemed so happy.

"You remember that crazy old sunt I talked about during the campaign?" be asked in the auditorium of the Maine Arts Center in Orono.

He had used the aunt line last fall when talking about the deficit, and how it was like a crazy old aunt put away in the basement and nobody wanted to talk about her.

"Now she's out in the street and going to parties!" he said.

"You go up to Congress, you walk around and you see people in thousand-dollar suits and alligator shoes," he said. like a radio preacher ripping into the greedy and the godless.

Alligator shoes? What's the last time anybody saw alligator shoes on Capitol Hill?

He's acquired a Jay Leno touch. As with his discussion of Judge Kimba M. Wood, Mr. Clinton's second failed nominee for attorney general: "That woman who said she trained to be a Playboy bunny, but never worked as one? That's like saying you smoked and never inhaled."

Big roar.
"We're putting together the biggest grass-roots political system in history," he says.

The movement is called United We Stand America, words

that were printed on T-shirts sold outside the halls where he spoke. The shirts also bore a map of Maine, and the words "It See PEROT, Page 3

# Just How Bad Is It in Japan? **Old Remedies** Don't Work

By James Sterngold New York Times Service

TOKYO - Is the once formidable Japanese economy faltering, heading down a path of disarray and weakness? The question would have seemed little

more than silly musing a few years ago, when Japan was depicted as a Godzilla-like creature gobbling up markets worldwide. Not only were manufacturers filling shelves with new products, but they were also plowing profits back into developing more efficient plants and better technol-

ogies.
Suddenly, all that seems to have changed. With Japan's economy barely growing, consumer spending anemic, the

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service sector suffering its first recession and corporate profits plunging, the bu-reaucrats who managed the economic success appear to be groping in counter erod-

The old remedies simply do not appear to be working, and the policymakers' acumen is being questioned. Some still cling to the notion that everything is following a plan that will put the Japanese juggernaut back into forward gear soon, but more and more experts are saying it could be several years before the economy is robust.

And everyone agrees that the economy is suffering its worst downturn in decades and that Japan's commercial banks, bearing the hurden of tens of billions of dollars in bad loans, are in the midst of a crisis of unprecedented proportions.

The long-awaited reduction in the Bank of Japan's discount rate on Thursday only buttressed the sense of drift. The rate was cut sharply to 2.5 percent from 3.25 per-cent, which matched its record low. It was the sixth time in a year and a half that the central bank had cut rates trying to keep the economy from slowing further.

But even this drastic step left the stock market and economists unimpressed. Sev-eral business leaders asked when the next reduction would take place, and there

were calls for new government spending programs to stimulate faster growth. The Nikkei stock market index fell 31.40 points Thursday and then rebounded a modest 142.27 points on Friday to close the week at 17,332.90, down more than 50 percent from its high three years ago. On Mouday, it fell another 51.2

points, ending at 17.281.7.

In the last year, the government has announced two huge public works packages to stimulate the economy and one bank bailout plan. None of these measures bave done much to raise confidence or rebuild momentum. In fact, some people argue that the government's efforts to bol-ster the stock market with large purchases of shares by government-controlled trust funds and pressure on other large institutions not in sell has further undermined confidence by raising the specter of another market crash if the government with-

Paul Summerville, an economist here See SLUMP, Page 12

# **Protectionism Could Prompt** A Trade Bloc Led by Tokyo

#### Some in East Asia Fear U.S. and Europe Will Leave Them Far Behind

By Michael Richardson

International Herald Tribune
SINGAPORE — Apprehensive about signs of protectionist trends in the United States and Europe, Asian countries are looking anew at proposals for closer East Asian economic cooperation huilt around Japan.

While officials in the reginn deny that they are intending in form an increasingly clused trading bloc, analysts have little doubt that this is what would emerge should America and Europe adopt tougher policies in limit Asian

The analysts say that trade policy decisions to be taken in the weeks ahead by the Clinton administration, particularly toward Japan. will largely determine whether a powerful East Asian economic association is formed to counter the single economic market in Europe and the planned North American Free Trade Agreement linking the United States, Canada

Paul Keating the Australian prime minister, said Monday that the United States "faces a quite fundamental decision on where and how it wishes to place itself in the emerging economic alignments of the Pacific — a decision which will affect all of us in the region."

Echoing concern expressed throughout East Asia and the Western Pacific, he said that the Clinton administration intended to pursue a robust market-opening strategy with its Asian trading partners. Mr. Keating cautioned, however, that unless

Washington "goes about it in the right way, it risks accumulating resentment and resistance." Smaller Asian countries have generally benefited in the past from market-opening agreements between the United States and strong East Asian economies, such as Japan, because

all nations have been eligible for the benefits. But there is growing concern in the region that the Clinton administration — under pres-sure from Congress and American industries asserting that jobs and growth are being stifled by cheap Asian imports - may be tempted to adopt protectionist policies.

One consequence of any U.S. attempts to reduce its buge trade deficit with East Asia by imposing punitive tariffs or demanding guaran-teed shares for American goods in Asian markers would be to force countries in the region to band together.

There has already been a proposal from Malaysia to form an East Asian Economic Caucus that would exclude the United States and other

North American Pree Trade Agreement countries, as well as Australia and New Zealand.
The proposal is backed by Brunei, Indonesia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand, Malaysia's partners in the Association of South East Asian Nations, although Jakarta has been

lukewarm. Japan, South Korea and China have not endorsed the caucus plan, fearing it would exacerbate trade frictions with the United

States, their largest single market.

But analysts said that this position could change if Washington were to pursue managed

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# Iran Now Buys American, **But Reconciliation Is Taboo**

By Caryle Murphy

Washington Post Service
TEHRAN — After more than a decade of drinking ersatz cola from chipped, dirty bottles left over from before the Islamic revolution, iranians can now buy the real thing — Coca-Cola from a new plant in the city of Meshed. Coca-Cola's return to Iran is a small but

prominent sign of a revival of trade between iran and the United States. But despite the soft drink's worldwide role as a symbol of U.S. presence renewed diplomatic and political ties between revolutionary Iran and a United States still resentful over the 1979 hostage drama remain a much more difficult proposition.

The current political scene in Iran suggests that there will be no breakthrough in the next few months. Even then, any public rapprochement will face major obstacles, including wide policy differences and official statements occasionally exaggerated — that harden public opinion against reconciliation in both countries, according to U.S. officials, Iranian analysts and diplomats in Iran.

On the surface, Iran's revolutionary leadership would appear to have good reasons for seeking restored ties with the United States. The past year saw increased international isolation for Iran, as its relations with Egypt deteriorated and it alienated Saudi Arabia in a feud

over the Gulf island of Abu Musa. Suspicions of Iranian involvement in the killing of Iranian Kurdish dissidents in Germany marred relations with Bonn, one of Iran's closest European trading partners. And last week, Turkish officials accused unidentified Iranians of a role in the killing of a Turkish journalist. Iranian officials deny involvement in the

slayings.
"They've got no friends," a senior Western diplomat in Tehran said in assessing Iran's international position. "There is absolutely no trust of Iran. Who trusts Iran in the international community? Maybe Syria. Nobody trusts Iran. They don't realize bow deeply in trouble

they are with everyone."

Partly as a result of this hostility, Iran is See IRAN, Page 4

One source close to the talks said, "They

are trying to clear the way so that Christo-pher's mission does not get totally bogged

down in the deportee issue." (Page 4)

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# A Court's Pop at Bubbly U.K. Drink Can Be . . . Champagne?

By Erik Ipsen ternational Herald Tribune

LONDON - It was a case of royalty versus the rabble in the British High Court on Monday. It was the case of the lowly Allbev Ltd. of Leatherhead, Surrey, manufacturers of a product that its owners dearly wished to call "Elderflower Champagne," facing the combined might of France's premier Champagne makers, who insisted that they could do nothing of the sort.

The rabble won.

After the court ruled in Alibev's favor, saying it could use the name for its nonalcoholie drink, Gny Woodall, one of the compa-ny's owners, jubilantly trod one more time over French sensibilities, proclaiming that the "the spirit of Agincourt lives on." He was referring to Britain's crushing defeat of French arms in 1415.

The court ruling came as a surprise, to say the least. "I am incredibly taken aback," said Penny Bool, manager of the Champagne Bu-reau, which represents the industry in Britain,

its largest export market.
At Allbev, which markets its products under the name of Thorncroft Vineyards, Elder-flower Champagne toasts were offered to the judge who ruled in its favor. Ray Bevan, one of the company's three owners, said:

"We never set out to ride on the back of the excellence of Champagne. We were just try-ing to market a traditional drink." He said Elderflower Champagne was

based on a traditional "cottage recipe" that had been around since the last century. At £2.45 (\$3.55) a bottle, the fizzy drink is not easily confused with what the Champagne Bureau refers in as "the world's great wine of celebration."

In contrast to the meticulously tended vinyards of France, the flavor for Alibev's champagne comes from flowers plucked willy-nilly from roadside hedgerows.

Not to be outdone by Mr. Bevan's claims over the age of the elderflower recipe, Ms.

Bool pointed out that the French province received its name a bit earlier - in the 10th century, actually.

Justice Mervyn Davies agreed that the Elderflower Champagne was a "misrepresenta-tion and calculated to deceive," but nonetheless ruled that the damage to Champagne's reputation would be minimal.

Thorncroft was awarded costs, estimated to be up to £100,000. The Associated Press

The Champagne makers intend to appeal the decision and are also exploring whether or not it violates European Community laws.

#### Kiosk

# U.S. Moves to Settle Deportee Issue spokeswoman to the Middle East peace talks. They will meet Tuesday with an Israeli delegation headed by Eli Rubinstein.

With Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher scheduled to begin a visit the Middle East next week, the United States has begun a diplomatic effort to settle the dispute over the 415 Palestinians deported by Israel. Senior U.S. officials met Monday with a group led by Hanan Ashrawi, a Palestinian

Fighting broke out in Bos-nia as UN prepared to re-view peace plans. Page 2. Clinton is developing a

new Russian policy, but is cautious on aid. Page 2. Spein has an ambitious project to aid the parched

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publics give currency to their separation. Page 9.

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# Guy Woodall, left, and Ray Bevan of Allbev Ltd. celebrating their court victory.

# It's a Phone! It's a Fax! No, It's Supercommunicator

By John Burgess

Washington Post Service WASHINGTON — Six global technology companies announced Monday an alliance aimed at equipping the ordinary American with

a pocket device that would serve as telephone, electronic mailbox and portable computer.
Using radio waves, the device would transmit conversations or messages that the user scribbled on its electronic screen with a special pen. It could understand handwriting and hold addresses, grocery lists, appointment calendars or

any other information the user wanted to put The team consists of American Telephone & munications would erode privacy. Telegraph Co., Motorola Inc., Apple Computer

They hope to announce this summer delivery schedules and prices for the devices.

Other companies have already put early versions of such products on the market. But this team is the largest assemblage of corporate resources to date aimed at rewriting the rules of how people stay in touch.

It remains unclear, however, whether the average person would want such a device. It would initially cost \$1,000 to \$2,000. It would be prey to thieves and perhaps not as easy to use as the designers promise. And many potential buyers might feel that night-and-day com-

To really do well, this has to be seen as more

got to be a use for it."

Advocates of the device say people will eventually flock to it, for convenience's sake. People now routinely use telephones, fax machines, personal computers and the ordinary mailbox.

It might even bring back the handwritten note as common communication. Rather than calling, a person could write on the device's screen. Sent through the air, the words would appear, as a facsimile of the senders' handwrit-

Co. Ltd. and Philips Consumer Electronics Co.

They hope to announce this summer delivery

InfoCorp., a Santa Clara, California, company that researches the computer industry. "There's come up with the ultimate merger: a device that can send and receive video images.

Gordon Bridge, an AT&T executive involved in the project, suggests that a traveler might use an electronic form displayed on the device's screen to request airline, car rental and hotel reservations in a city. The network would take that request, received by radio, make the need-

"This is the new telephone," said Marc Porat.

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ny, but is there a new Ger-

man woman? Suzy

Menkes reports. Page 5.

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Inc., Sony Corp., Matsushita Electric Industrial than a toy," said Scott Miller, an analyst at

This would be all of those in one.

ing, on the screen of the person to whom they

The devices are part of a convergence of computers, TV and communications. Designers

The six-company team also intends to operate an "intelligent" communications network to connect the devices and to perform services

ed bookings, then send an itinerary back to the traveler's hand-held device.

WORLD BRIEFS

Mitterrand Rules Out Anti-European

PARIS (Reuters) — President François Mitterrand said in an interview published Monday that he would not appoint an anti-European prime minister if, as expected, the conservative opposition wins parliamentary

Mr. Mitterrand, 76, a Socialist, told the daily Le Monde that he was free under the constitution to pick a prime minister, provided that person was supported by a parliamentary majority. "It is obvious that I will not

call on a prime minister who would be against the construction of

Europe," he said. His comment appeared to rule out Philippe Seguin, a

leader of the campaign against the Maastricht treaty.

Mr. Mitterrand said he would share control of French foreign and defense policy with a center-right government. He attributed the low

popularity of the Socialist Party to a difficult international economic

climate but said it was also due to a "social deficit" in France and

especially to scandals over campaign financing. He also said the Europe-

an Community must be prepared to wage a trade war if necessary against the United States, and respond to protectionist measures by the Clinton

administration with "protectionism-and-a-half" if it failed to reach an

LUANDA, Angola (AP) — The government, faced with an escalating war with UNITA rebels and an ill-equipped army, prepared Monday to

The draft was dropped after the May 1991 peace accords appeared to have brought an end to 16 years of civil war between the ruling Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola and UNITA, or the National

Parliament was expected to ratify a plan to make all able-bodied men-between the ages of 18 and 30 liable for military service, once the cabiner

Naples Mob Police Get Their Woman

NAPLES (Renters) — One of Italy's notorious gangsters, Rosetta Cutolo, 57, was arrested Monday morning after 13 years on the run, the

A leading member of the Naples underworld known as the Camorra,
Mrs. Cutolo, 57, had been sentenced in her absence to nearly 10 years in
prison for a string of offenses including extortion and murder. The police
said most of her crimes were carried out at the behest of her brother,

Raffaele Cutolo, one of Italy's gangland bosses, who they said continued to run a vast criminal empire from prison after his arrest in 1982.

Mrs. Cutolo was one of several women who the police said played active roles in the Neapolitan gangland, a factor that sets apart the Camorra from the Sicilian Mafia.

BERLIN (Reuters) - City officials denied Monday that the former

East German Communist leader, Erich Honecker, had received more

A spokeswoman, Uta Foelster, said city authorities had no indication

She said that officials investigating corruption among the former

Communist elite had recovered about 275 million DM from East German\_

deposits in Liechtenstein. The Berlin newspaper Sonntagspost reported

over the weekend that former agents for the Stasi security police had transferred the funds to Mr. Honecker, and the mass-circulation daily

Bild said Monday that former Stasi couriers had brought him the money

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that Mr. Honecker, 80 and now in exile in Chile, had withdrawn 3.5

million Deutsche marks (\$2.1 million) from a secret account.

Berlin Denies Honecker Got Funds

than \$2 million that had been hidden in Liechtenstein.

Angola Moves to Reinstate Draft

equitable GATT world trade agreement.

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elections next month.

# Clinton Developing Russia Strategy but Is Cautious on Aid

By Elaine Sciolino New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration intends to create a supercommittee in the State Department to shape a unified strategy toward Russia and the other former Soviet republics, but has no intention of immediately increasing foreign aid to the area, senior dministration officials said.

In an effort to avoid what it considers President George Bush's haphazard approach to the problem, the administration has chosen Strobe Talbott, a journalist and author who has written extensively about the Soviet Union, to head the committee in his capacity as ambassador-at-large to Russia and the

other newly independent republics. Although Mr. Talbott is said to advocate an aggressive diplomatie campaign to promote reform and reduce the threat of nuclear weapons, he prefers a cautious approach on committing new aid, officials familiar with his thinking said.

The administration, despite its early attention to crises in Bosnia, Somalia, Haiti and Iraq, has already begun to characterize the fate of Russia as the country's most important national security problem in the next decade.

If Russia disintegrates, the argument goes, it could put 20,000 nuelear weapons into the wrong hands, unleash ethnic wars on Russian soil and destabilize the region, a crisis that could "make Bosnia pale in comparison." George Kolt, a CIA specialist, told a Senate panel last week

By defining the debate in this way, the administration has eventual hopes of convincing a public focused on its domestic needs that new aid to Russia is essential to American economic and political well-being.

"You sell it as an investment in your own security, that if you don't do it, it's a missed opportunity and it makes the world a more dangerous place," said a senior adminis-

Despite Mr. Clinton's criticism of President Bush during the campaign for not committing enough aid to Russia, the thinking in the and will move to strengthen the new administration is that it will not propose spending more money than is already committed unless three specific criteria are met: Any program must have the full support of Congress and the American people; it must have a concrete impact on promoting democracy and a free-market economy; and it must be accomplished through the Group of Seven industrialized home.

Instead of pouring in new aid, the new administration will develop an approach that will blend political, diplomatic and technical assistance with ideas about how to do more with available money. Because of the urgency of the situation, the administration aims to have the outlines of the new policy in place for Secretary of State Warren Christopher's meeting with Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kozyrev of Russia in Geneva on Feb.

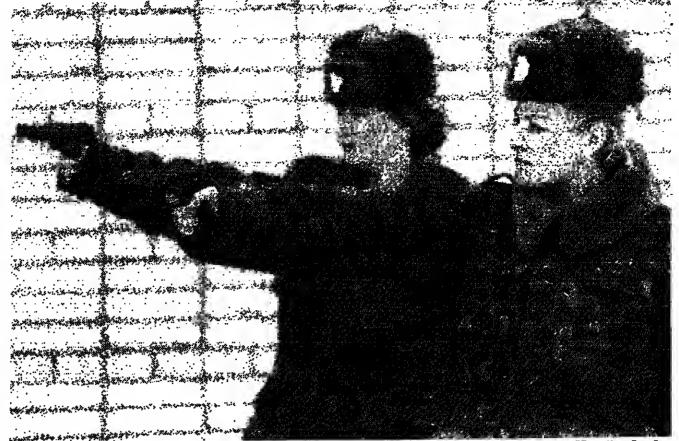
Just how much aid the United States has committed to Russia and the other republics is difficult to calculate and subject to dispute because the aid involves outright grants, loans and credit guarantees, which may be subject to certain restrictions and distributed through multicountry programs. The United States has pledged \$9.2 billion in aid to the independent republics of the former Soviet Union from 1991 through 1993. U.S. aid in the current fiscal year

will be about \$3 billion. Although the administration has yet to formulate its policy, trends in the thinking of Mr. Talbott and his

team have emerged:
• President Boris N. Yeltsin's economie and political reforms are the best hope of reducing Russia's nuclear and conventional weapons arsenal, and the administration will go out of its way to praise his efforts and bolster him as a partner. rather than a vassal, of the United States. To that end, the new admin istration also intends to act as a broker on a range of issues, including convincing Ukraine to ratify the START treaty and beiping to resolve flash points in areas such as Tajikistan, the Caucasus and Nagorno-Karabakh,

• The Russian aid issue must be wrenched from the hands of what one official called the "economist gnomes and the arms control nerds" and elevated to the level of high diplomacy. To that end, the iministration will increase pressure on the International Monetary Fund to treat Russia as a special case and loosen lending restrictions Group of Seven industrialized

countries on Russian aid issues. A higher priority should be placed on direct and technical assistance to help Russia dismantle its nuclear weapons and dispose of its nuclear materials; find civilian employment for nuclear technicians; and create housing so that demobilized soldiers can return



Paratroopers at target practice Monday near Moscow. About 70 women who joined the paratrooper unit last year are in basic training.

# U.S. Weighs Stepping Up Bosnia Relief

UNITED NATIONS, New York - The United States is considering proposing a stronger humanitarian operation in Bosnia-

Herzegovina, diplomats said Monday. They said Washington, which has apparently ruled out the immediate use of force to end the war in Bosnia, was also considering a variation of the map that international me ators have drawn up for Bosnia and the tightening of sanctions against Belgrade.

The envoys said these elements were mentioned by U.S. officials as possible points in a new U.S. plan on Bosnia that the Clinton administration is still drafting.
In a telated development, Yugoslavia is-

sued a statement favoring the international peace plan already on the table. Belgrade's support is considered crucial for the talks. The mediators, Cyrus R, Vance and Lord Owen, moved their peace talks with Bosnian Serbs, Muslims and Croats to New York last week in an effort to get the United Nations Security Council and the United States to

compel the warring parties to negotiate an end to the war that has claimed 16,000 lives. But the peace talks are stalled and no council action is expected until the United

States discloses its position.
In Washington, President Bill Clinton said Monday that he was close to announcing the U.S. position on Bosnia-Herzegovina,

"I don't want to give you a specific time, but we are very close," he said. "I think we might be prepared to make a statement in the

A diplomat who was briefed on elements that Mr. Clinton was considering said the United States "has come right off the idea of force" to aid Bosnian Muslims. Instead, he said the United States was

considering these steps: · A stronger bumanitarian effort so relief aid could reach civilians in areas where Serbian forces are in control and UN agencies have difficulties. It was not clear whether this

meant taking part in UN operations or mounting an independent U.S. effort. General support for the Vance-Owen peace plan, but suggesting some changes in favor of Muslims on a map that is at the center of the negotiations.

 Tightening sanctions against Yugoslavia, which is considered responsible for fomenting the war, particularly to prevent contraband from being moved up the Danube. Diplomats said Defense Secretary Les As-

pin, who was in Munich, indicated that aerial bombardment was not being considered at the moment and that enforcement of a noflight zone over Bosnia would be considered after agreement on a plan.

Although the United States and its European allies have been considering further sanctions on the two remaining Yugoslav republics, Serbia and Montenegro, the mediators apparently believe that Yugoslav as well as Russian support for the peace plan is crucial to bring the Bosnian Serbs in line.

Ilija Diukic, Yugoslavia's foreign minister said in a statement released at the United Nations that Belgrade supported the Vance-Owen plan as the "most complete and realistie framework for establishing just and last-ing peace in Bosnia-Herzegovina and is using all its influence so that the plan be accepted."

Talks during the weekend between the mediators and the warring parties ended in a stalemate, particularly on the map that would divide the country into 10 largely autonomous provinces — three dominated by Muslims, three by Serbs, two by Croats and two with a tripartite leadership. (Reuters, AFP)

#### ■ France Excludes Use of Force

President François Mitterrand said France was not planning to intervene on its own in Bosnia, and its aircraft carrier patrolling off Yugoslavia is only there to protect French UN peacekeeping troops, Reuters reported

"France will not launch any military operations," Mr. Mitterrand said in an interview published Monday in the daily Le Monde. "It will carry out Security Council decisions."

## 2-Day Railroad Strike Hits France

PARIS (Renters) - France's rail network faced 48 hours of discuption beginning Monday after an engineer received a suspended prison sen-tence for manslaughter over an accident that killed one person and injured 77 four years ago.

Unions protested after Lionel Veniant, whose train crashed into a platform at the Gare de l'Est in Paris, was given a suspended term of 15 mooths on charges of manslaughter and causing bodily harm. The unions blame the railroad for lack of safety. A spokesman for the state railroad, SNCF, said commuter traffic in eastern Paris was cut by half at midafternoon and the disruption was expected to spread. A minority trade union, CFDT, said it would strike for 48 hours starting Monday evening, if Mr. Veniant were sentenced, to back demands for improved safety...

st-led CGT, the main union amo the protest but said it was leaving its members free to follow suit or not. Members stopped work en masse in December when the union made the same recommendation. It had already called protests over the same period against proposed staff cuts in the railroad.

Dieter Rogalia, a German member of the European Parliament, successfully defied passport controls in France on Monday. The Social Demo-crat refused to show his passport at Strasbourg airport and was waved through by officials. He said he hoped his action would reassure EC citizens that they are now legally entitled to refuse to undergo border checks at internal EC borders. But dozens of other passengers who got off. the same flight were asked for their passports.

Corsican fire fighters in charge of ground security blocked air traffic at the Bastia airport with a strike of three hours early Monday, airport officials said. Only two flights were affected —a stopover from Marseille en route to Paris and a regular shuttle to Nice. The fire fighters were protesting changes in their employment status, unions said, British Airways is to increase the number of weekly flights on its service

hetween London and Jakarta via Kuala Lumpur next month from two to three in anticipation of growing demand, the Bisnis Indonesia daily said Monday in Jakarta.

Traffic deaths in France last year dropped to their lowest level since 1958 after the introduction of a tough points system that can cost drivers their licenses after a few offenses, the government announced Monday. At least 9.083 people were killed on French highways in 1992, down 5.6 percent from 1991.

The first regularly scheduled passenger flight between China and South Korea began service Monday, Xinhua press agency said. China Eastern Airlines is flying an A-310 Airbus that seats 204 on a weekly route between Shanghai and Seoul. Beginning in April, there will be two flights

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#### A Policy Failure and Lessons for U.S. except with the massive use of military the face of the credible threat of outside

By Don Oberdorfer

WASHINGTON - In October 1990. while the Bush administration was husily preparing Operation Desert Storm to expel lrag from Kuwait, the Central Intelligence Agency presented another unpleasant surprise to American policymakers.

Yugoslavia, the CIA predicted, would break apart within 18 months, with a high probability of touching off a violent civil war. The main culprit in the crisis, the report said, would be the Serbian president, Slobodan Milosevic.

Among those receiving and concurring with the CIA forecast was the deputy secre-tary of state, Lawrence S. Eagleburger, who spent seven years as a U.S. Embassy artaché and ambassador to Yugoslavia, and who was the administration's highest-ranking expert on the subject.

For the next 21/2 years, including five months when he was secretary of state after the departure of James A. Baker 3d, Mr. Eagleburger watched with dismay while Yu-goslavia disintegrated step by step and then descended to a depth of brutality unknown in Europe since World War II.

"We failed," Mr. Eagleburger conceded in an interview last week, summing up the painful upshot of policy-making on the Balkans, which the Clinton administration has inherited as its top foreign-policy priority.

He added that once the war was under way. "from beginning to end, to right now, I am telling you I don't know any way to stop it

The use of large-scale force involving U.S. ground troops is one option that the Bush administration consistently rejected, and one discarded in the early discussions with his

The lessons of the Bush administration's unsuccessful efforts to halt the killing provide a starting point as the Clinton team struggles to define its policy in the Balkans and other areas of armed conflict in the increasingly unruly post-Cold War world.

These are among the most important of the lessons, according to a variety of U.S. and European observers:

 By far the best chance to stop the Balkan conflict was close to its beginning, in the summer and fall of 1991. At that point, according to Mr. Eaglehurger, the former na-tional-security adviser Brent Scowcroft and other officials, a relatively modest collective intervention by the United States and European countries, backed by threat or use of force, might have sufficed.

Such an intervention was not proposed at the time, however, and would have been difficult to promote in the United States and Europe before the disaster deepened.

 Ruling out the direct application of force against Serbia sapped the strength of diplomatie persuasion. Several officials said that once Mr. Milosevic and his lieutenants began their campaign of intimidation and liquidation against other states of the former federa-tion, they would have changed course only in

intervention.

After saying repeatedly that U.S. troops would not be used and after failing to obtain allied agreement even to enforce an air exclusident George Bush in his last month in office threatened unilateral military action to bead off the spread of fighting to Kosovo Province.

In a letter in late December to Mr. Milose-

vic and the Yugoslav Army chief, General Zivota Panic, Mr. Bush declared that "in the event of conflict in Kosovo caused by Serbian action, the United States will be prepared to employ military force against the Serbs in Kosovo and in Serbia proper." Mr. Eagleburger said the Bush letter was

prompted by intelligence reports that Serbs might begin a campaign of terror in Kosovo during the transition period in the United States. The response, Mr. Eaglehurger said, would have involved U.S. air attacks in Ser-

 The failure of the Bush administration to create a elear consensus in its own ranks or within the squabbling ranks of U.S. allies in Europe was a debilitating drag on decisions and action.

"This was an eminently European affair, so Europe should have taken care of il; but Europe is immobilized psychologically and is dependent on the States," said the Bosnian foreign minister, Haris Silajdzic, in Washington last week. "The States were waiting for Europe to do something. And it all went to the United Nations, which of course is a

# **Bonn Vows to Consult NATO on Cuts**

BONN - Apparently trying to nead off potential trouble with Washington, Chancellor Helmut Kohl promised on Monday not to reduce the German military with-

out consulting NATO.
Mr. Kohl dismissed suggestions that his government was ignoring the alliance in drawing up its mili-tary plans and pledged that Bonn would coordinate any cuts in troop strength with its partners.

"Germany has always proven its loyalty to NATO and its willingness to cooperate within the alliance," he said in a defensively worded statement. "German armed forces and their soldiers will continue to get the needed equipment and support that they need to fulfill their new tasks."

At a weekend international secu-

rity conference in Munieb that was also attended by the U.S. defense secretary, Les Aspin, Mr. Kohl said that he planned to make cuts in the German military.

The chancellor said he wanted to measure to help pay for unification, and at the same time said he wanted U.S. troops to remain in Germany.

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United States to continue to make and NATO."

and maintain conscription.

He added, "All decisions to be United States to continue to make nuge outlays for U.S. troops stationed in Germany while Germany

cots its military spending.

Although Defense Minister
Volker Rühe announced the plan Atlantic Treaty Organization, said in agreement with NATO." to reduce the number of troops earlier last week, many officials apparently learned of the plan at the Kohl said that because of the mon-

A commentator on the ARD Germany "it is important that the elevision network said Americans Bundeswehr be included in general television network said Americans at the conference "were astonished that the chancellor wants to shrink the Bundeswehr."

pressed not at the conference but in the corridors." The daily Die Welt said Monday

Manfred Wörner, a German who met in connection with this will, of is secretary-general of the North

at the Munich conference that Mr. Kohl's announcement "filled me with concern." In his statement Monday, Mr.

cost-cutting measures."

He said in Munich that be might cut German troop levels to less The chancellor said he wanted to trim the military as a cost-cutting considerable displeasure," the reached in 1995. The chancellor commentator said. "This was ex- named no new target, but German

press reports said troup levels could fall below 300,000. Mr. Kohl said that Bonn would The statements raised questions that "n critical situation is shaping set the new troop levels this year

course, be discussed with and done

The Federal Republic of Germany has continually proven its loyalty to NATO and its willing ness to ecoperate," Mr. Kohl said. Kohl said that because of the mon-umental costs of reunification of tally uncalled for." (AP. Reuters)

family fled an arson attack on their home in southwest Germany before dawn on Monday, and a hostel for asylum seekers was burned down overnight in Eastern Germany, the police said

In the attack in southwestern Müllheim, arsonists poured gasoline over the entrance to the family home. The flames spread to the hall, but the family put out the fire before fire fighters arrived. A Turkish man was overcome by fumes. The attackers escaped.

In Oebisselde, in the formerly Communist East, none of the 18 people housed in the hostel set afire was injured. Investigators said they

# Hostel and Turks' Home Burn in 2 German Cities

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches had yet to establish the cause of the STUTTGART - A Turkish fire, but a witness said he had seen a burning object being thrown into the hostel. Germany has been beset by racist attacks carried out by rightists

and skinheads against asylum seekers and immigrants. In the worst incident, in November, two Turkisb girls and their grandmother died in an arson attack on their home Hans Otto Bratitigam, the justice

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minister for Brandenburg, said the number of attacks had risen by 50 percent in Brandenburg in January over the same month last year. Interior Minister Rudolf Seiters.

speaking on the radio over the weekend, said Germany now had at least 41,400 radical rightists, about 6,400 of whom were believed to be violence prone."

Official reports put the number of violent radical attacks by right-ists against foreigners and leftist Germans at 2,285 last year. These resulted in 17 deaths, a 54 percent increase over 1991, according to the reports.

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#### White House Retreats on Pension Freeze

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WASHINGTON (AP) - After floating the idea of a freeze on Social Security cost-of-living increases to help shrink the budget deficit, the White House backed away from it Monday. White House officials said a freeze was highly unlikely. It is oow

more probable that the administration will propose taxing more of the Social Security benefits paid to the higher-income elderly.

Retired couples with incomes above \$32,000 and individuals with incomes above \$25,000 now must pay income taxes on 50 percent of their Social Security benefits. That level most likely would be increased, to about 85 percent, in the Clinton economic plan.

The White House communications director, George Stephanopoulos, said on ABC television that freezing cost-of-living raises was something Mr. Clinton never wanted to do. He blamed unsubstantinted leaks for causing an uproar.

#### Intensive Care for Veterans' Health System

WASHINGTON - In an effort to repair a health-care system on the verge of collapse, the secretary of veterans' affairs, Jesse Brown, is proposing changes that would enable the agency to raise money, improve its medical facilities and extend treatment to millions of vets who now are shut out.

The nationwide network of 680 veterans hospitals, community clinics and other health facilities has suffered from decades of meager financing, inadequate staffing, lax management and political neglect. Barely able to address the needs of a relatively small "core group" of poor and disabled vets, the system is generally shunned by other veterans who have the ability to obtain care elsewhere.

Now, as the Clinton administration begins work on a comprehensive national health-care agenda, Mr. Brown said he saw an opportunity in revitalize the veterans' health system by allowing it in compete on more equal footing with other medical providers.

He said it was his goal to overhaul the veterans health-care

program within in a year, "And it's my vision that we want to provide access to all veterans who want it," said Mr. Brown, who headed the 1.4 million-member Disabled American Veterans organization before Mr. Clinton chose him for his cabinet.

Mr. Brown said he wanted legislative authority to obtain reimbursements from Medicare, Medicaid and other third-party payers for patients treated in veterans facilities. He also wants to begin selling health policies to veterans who are not covered by other insurers and who do not qualify for mandated free care.

The obstacles — mostly financial — are formidable, Mr. Brown's

proposals will have to be balanced against competing pressures to develop a plan consistent with the administration's goal of reducing the federal budget deficit. (LAT)

#### On Stimulus, Dole & Co. Have Their Doubts

WASHINGTON - Signaling that Repoblicans plan to oppose at least part of President Bill Clinton's economic program, Bob Dole, the Senate minority leader, and three other Republican senators said they disagreed with the administration's plans for a short-term stimulus package because it would increase the deficit this year.

Mr. Clinton's economic aides have talked repeatedly about a stimulus program of \$15 billion to \$30 billion that would seek to create jobs and to ensure that the economy did not slide back into the In a letter to Mr. Clinton, the four Republican senators said, "We

fail to see how any short-term 'stimulus' package of \$10 to \$30 billion can have any significant impact on our economy that is now experiencing a solid recovery."

They added, "The economy already is experiencing a \$320 billion 'stimulus' in the form of our annual deficit and such a package may signify add to that debt lead."

simply add to that debt load." Besides Mr. Dole, the senators who signed the letter were Don

Nickles of Oklahoma, chairman of the Republican Policy Committee, and the two co-chairmen of the Republican Economic Policy Task Force, Pete V. Domenici of New Mexico and Bob Packwood of

#### Quote/Unquote

· James Carville, the Clinton campaign strategist: "It has been said by others and I'll say it again: No one ever satisfied the liberal

#### **Away From Politics**

• Two days before her 100th birthstay, Frances Hockey raised her right hand, said "I do," and became n citizen of the United States. She had waited nearly 89 years, from the time she landed in Baltimore at age 11, an immigrant from Slovakia. She thought for most of that time that she was a citizen, even though she had never voted. "When my husband became a citizen, I thought as his wife I was covered too, and only found out in recent years that I wasn't," she said. "So I figured f had better do it before I run ont of time." The court-martial of a U.S. wavy sailor in Japan accused of the savage "gay-bashing" killing of a shipmate opens Tuesday at Yoko-suka, south of Tokyo. The trial of Airman Apprentice Terry Helvey.

20, comes as President Bill Clinton is trying to lift the ban on homosexuals in the armed services. • The U.S. criminal justice system is "on a fast track to collapse" by

emphasizing drug arrests while paying less attention to violent crime, according to a report by the American Bar Association. "Unless we do something now, we are going to have a criminal justice system that is crushed under the caseload of criminal cases without any appreciable decrease in crime," said Neal Sonnett, chairman of the association's criminal justice section.

 The intruder who spent four hours inside a turbine building at the Three Mile Island nuclear plant would have been unable to get into the heavily protected reactor area, plant officials said. The intruder, Pierce Nye, 31, was being held on \$250,000 bail.

Children die from abuse or neglect far more frequently than national reports indicate, a study spurred by a Missouri child-abuse law showed. The study estimated that more than 2,000 children under 18 may have died annually in recent years due in maltreatment by parents, other relatives or guardians. That number tops the record 1,383 child-report deaths recorded in 1991 by the National Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse.

Three people suffered minor guashot wounds at n mall in Bloomington, Minnesota, after an altercation with three youths at an amusement park in the shopping center, the police said. The three, one n mall employee, were shot in Knott's Camp Snoopy and taken to a hospital. They were listed in good condition.

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#### **CLINTON:** Home Problems First

#### (Confirmed from page 1)

approach to coordinating policy to-ward Russia and the other former Soviet republics.

Obviously, aides said, the president is kept abreast of all the internal discussions and weighs in when he wants — which can be fairly frequently - but foreign affairs is clearly not his passion, or his pre-

occupation.

"He is there to do things when asked," said a foreign-policy official. "But that is the extent of it." Some top Clinton aides make no apologies for his priorities.

That is why he is president and George Bush isn't," remarked one when asked why the president did not seem very deeply involved in forcign affairs.

Since coming to office Mr. Clinton has had phone conversations with President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia, President Leonid M. Kravchuk of Ukraine and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel. He has had brief meetings with Prime Minister Brian Mulroney of Canada and the German foreign minister, Klaus Kinkel Mr. Bush did more in an average day. Mr. Clintoo still has not held a meeting of his National Security Council.

At least some who know the president well suggest that he still may be just a little intimidated by foreign matters. Some even go so far as to suggest that one of the reasons be chose the Mr. Christopher to run his State Department is because he sees him as an elder statesman who can take care of the thorny foreign-policy matters that he simply does not want to be tronbled with now and is still unsure

"I think that the most interesting thing is that Mr. Clinton has not been present for a lot of the discussions," a lower-ranking adviser

"My sense of it is that be does not like this stuff because be is not the master of it. He is not familiar with the details, and he is not familiar with the people giving him the advice. He does not have that same well of knowledge to draw on that be does in domestic policy. Don't underestimate how raw he is."

Whether Mr. Clinton will be able to maintain his approach to foreign policy will depend in part on whether a crisis abroad demands more of his attention and in part on the ability of his subordinates to design policies that work

# Feminists, Seeing 'Raw Deal' for Judge, Urge Fax Attack

Women started a phone and fax campaign Monday in protest "a double-standard" the group says kept Judge Kumba M. Wood from being nominated for attorney general. The White House insists that Judge Wood was not "fully forthcoming" during her interviews.

"All the conventional wisdom says she didn't jump.

she was pushed," said Patricia Ireland, president of the feminist organization. "I think she absolutely got a

The White House said Judge Wood's employment of an illegal alien as a baby-sitter would have made

confirmation difficult.

Ms. Ireland said her group's 600 ehapters nationwide would be asked to call the White House, Congress and radio talk shows. "We want to make the point that there is this double

standard and there is this double burden on women," Ms. Ireland said. "If women are going to be held accountable on how

WASHINGTON — The National Organization for accountable, too," she added.

Reminded that Commerce Secretary Ronald H. Brown belatedly said taxes for a three-hour-a-week employee, Ms. Ireland said: "We are after changes in public policy and public perception that the child-care issue won't be used to keep women out of positions of

The White House communications director, George Stephanopoulos, defended the decision in seek someone other than Judge Wood, who once hired an illegal alien as a baby-sitter.

"Number one, she had an illegal alien in her employ" even though it was legal to do so nt the time, be said. "Secondly, all the details did not come to light in the interview process."

The issue was a sensitr - one for the White House because President Bill C: ton had earlier nominated a corporate lawyer. Zoe Baird, who withdrew under pressure after it was revealed that she had illegally

they juggle work and family, then men should be held employed aliens in her household as a manny and Judge Wood as saying she had provided full details to driver.

Unlike Ms. Baird, Judge Wood hired her baby-sitter while it was still legal to hire aliens without immigration papers, and she paid all necessary taxes on time. Interviewed Monday on ABC television, Mr. St:phanopoulos said Judge Wood "was asked three time in the interview process" about whether she had a problem similar in Ms. Baird's, "and she responded

she did not have a problem, but did not give details." "Clearly, these details would have had an effect on the process," Mr. Stephanopoulos said. "She was not

Dee Dee Myers, the White House press secretary, said on the Fox network that "the political atmosphere is such right now that confirmation would have been difficult.

Clinton administration officials said the president could nominate an attorney general "in a day or two."
Following publication in The New York Times on Sunday of an article quoting unidentified friends of the Clioton administration, Judge Wood issued a statement supporting the White House account.

She said that before Mr. Clinton settled on her as altorney general, she never explicitly told White House officials during interviews in late January that

she had hired an illegal immigrant as a baby-sitter.

"I was asked if I had ar." Zoe Baird problems." I said I did oot, and said that I have paid all required taxes and that I complied fully with the laws relating to household help," Judge Wood said.

"Although the documents I provided to the White House vetters' reflect that the relevant government agencies were advised by me that my baby-sitter had overstayed her visa (which expired in 1980, five years before she became my employee), I did oot communicate this orally on Jan. 28 or 29; because my actions had complied with all laws, I did not view this as a

Zoe Baird problem'," she said.
"I did not mislead anyone at any point and I have obeyed all laws," she said.

(AP, NYT)



Jesse L. Jackson taking part Monday in a rally in Miami urging more U.S. support for Haiti's deposed leader, Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

# Aspin's Successor: A Rebel Takes Power

By Jane Gross

New York Times Service BERKELEY, California - "Onward Christian Soldiers" is not in the hymnal at the Allen Temple Baptist Church here in the congressional district of Ronald V. Dellums.

The hymn's absence is due to objections by the veteran lawmaker, a former Marine who began his political career as a Vietnam War the House Armed Services Committee.

Stands such as that one, along with Mr. Dellums's well-known opposition to American military intervendon abroad and costly new weapons systems, have won him wide popularity in this overwhelmingly liberal district, birthplace of the Free Speech Movement and the Black Panther Party in the 1960s.

These days, though, Mr. Dellums's constituents are amazed that the quintessential outsider has moved inside.

"It's incredible," said Lindy Graham, the chief of staff to Alameda County Supervisor Don Perata. "In their wildest imaginings, had

the Armed Services people 20 years ago ever thought his guy would be in charge, with his Afro and his bell-bottoms, they'd have croaked." Passed from hand to hand here is an editorial

cartoon that captures the fox-in-the-henhouse quality of Mr. Dellums's chairmanship, which he won in a resounding 198-10 vote of the House Democrace caucus after the confirmation of Les Aspin as President Bill Clinton's secretary of defense. Mr. Aspin, a Wisconsin Democrat, also called for reductions in the military budget, but much more modest ones than Mr. Dellums espouses, and he differed from his successor in supporting the Gulf War

In the cartoon, an admiral and general stand outside the door of the Armed Services Committee room, which is draped with a banner reading "under new management." Inside, Mr. Dellums sits behind the chairman's desk, bran-dishing an ax. "Call security," one military man says to the other.

But even military people in the 9th congres-

sional district of California, which includes the Navy town of Alameda as well as Berkeley and Oakland, are applauding Mr. Dellums's 22-year journey from freshman radical to committee chairman, in part because he helped save the Alameda Naval Air Station when it was scheduled to be closed.

"Even though his views may differ from mine, be's always fair, consistent and professaid Robert Toney. admiral who now heads the Oakland Chamber of Commerce.

A few of Mr. Dellums's supporters worry that the demands of leadership will modulate his fiery oratory, such as his floor speech in 1991 against the use of force in the Gulf.

"He certainly can't function as a flamethrowing critic at the same time be is forging compromise guiding legislation through," said James Vann, an Oakland architect who has worked in political campaigns here for 30 years.

"I do fear we will miss something by not baving that outspoken voice. And I'm sincerely boping someone moves forward to fill that void."

# PEROT: What Election? The Permanent Candidate Keeps Rolling On

#### (Continued from page 1)

Started Here." It costs \$15 to be part of it. Mr. Perot refuses to say how many members it has so far, or how many be hopes for.

"We will not come together seeking power, money or personal grad-fication," he said, with a tone that suggested he knew the crowd already knew what he was going to say. "We will work night and day to end the turf battles and ego trips that seem inherent in politics. A year from now we'll have the electronic town hall. I want every college campus organized."

Politics without the politics, in other words —one of the American

Orono, Rockland and Portland: The crowds seemed so bappy, thousands of people turning out in weather so cold you could see men flexing their nostrils to keep them from freezing shut. It was a cold day to be turning out for a candi-

"Something is wrong some-place," said Bob McLeod, a blue-

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berry farmer from Columbia Falls. He'd arrived in Orono at 7:30 that morning to be sure he got a seat when Mr. Perot spoke at 1 P.M. "1 think this shows how wary and unsettled people are."

"The people are beginning in feel helpless," said Beverly Richter, of Cumberland.

said Ray Janson, of Waterboro. But didn't we just have an elec-

"ft's not over," said Ray Irish, a free-lance telephone serviceman

But shouldn't we be giving Bill Clinton a chance? "Clinton made, what was it, 164

waves at crowds. "Ross Perot is going to see that Clinton keeps his

gave George Bush, who has a house the policies of the Clinton adminis-in Kennebunkport. (In Orono, way tradon. inland, that area is known as "the other Maine.") The Mainers who turned out for him acted as if the election were irrelevant, as if the important stuff were yet to come.

Before the election, CBS Newsrou re born with a sense of that less than n quarter of American adults had a favorable opinion of Mr. Perot. Oddly enough, after just don't know the difference," said Ray Janson of Waterbard. that more than a quarter of regis-tered voters thought that Mr. Clin-ton should consult Mr. Perot on economic matters and appoint him to a high posicion.

By Jan. 14, the favorability numbers had reversed. Suddenly 44 per-cent had a favorable opinion while only a quarter had an unfavorable opinion — and this was before all promises," he said, referring in a the troubles that have beset Mr. list of 156 promises that Mr. Perot Clinton since the in auguration. The same week, more than a third of the people responding to a Princeton Survey Research Associates poll Maine gave Mr. Perot 30.4 per- said they would like to see Mr. cent of its votes - more than it Perot play a major role in shaping

How American this whole phe-

H.L. Mencken wrote more than half a century ago that the American citizen is "exploited and injured almost without measure by the government itself — in other

words, by the very agency which professes to protect him ... Nowhere in Christendom, save only in France, is government more extravagant, nonsensical, mintelligent and corrupt than bere, and nowhere else is it so secure."

All of these problems derive from "the false assumption that some politicians are better than

#### Spanish Party's Candidate The Associated Press

MADRID - The main opposi-

tion Popular Party closed its threeday annual congress by designating the party leader, Jose Maria Aznar, as its candidate for prime minister

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# Walsh Criticizes Bush For Weinberger Pardon

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches WASHINGTON — Lawrence tration feared was illegal.

E. Walsh, the Iran-contra special prosecutor, accused George Bush on Monday of misusing presidential power by pardoning Caspar W. Weinberger before the former defense secretary could stand trial on criminal charges.

"President Bush's pardon thwarted the public airing of new and disturbing facts about the ac-tions of Weinberger and other senior executive branch officials in the Iran-contra affair," Mr. Walsh said in an interim report to Con-

Mr. Bush pardoned Mr. Wein-berger and other Iran-contra figures on Dec. 24, less than two weeks before Mr. Weinberger was to stand trial on charges of lying in testimony in congressional and criminal investigations, Mr. Bush left office on Jan. 20.

Mr. Weinberger was the only member of Ronald Reagan's cabi-net to be indicted in connection with the sale of arms to Iran and the illegal use of those proceeds to finance Nicaraguan guerrillas. The trial of Mr. Weinberger

conceal the facts of the Iran arms sales from the public and from Congress," Mr. Walsh said.

of missiles to Iran that the adminis-

mer secretary of state, was pre-pared to testify about his concern that the White House was trying to "rearrange the record" to protect the president by insisting he had been unaware of the shipment, Mr. Walsh said.

The Reagan administration had contended in November 1986, when the Iran-contra scandal began unfolding, that the president did not know about the shipment of 18 U.S-bought Hawk missiles from Israel to Iran.

non, Administration officials feared it violated the Arms Export

Mr. Walsh reported that Donald T. Regan, the former White House chief of staff, was prepared to testify that Mr. Reagan had known about a N ... mber 1985 shipment

And George P. Shultz, the for-

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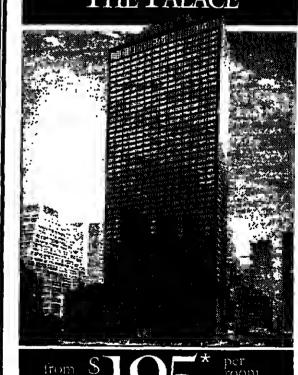
Control Act forbidding reshipment of arms to a third country.
Mr. Walsh's report said Mr. Regan would have testified that, as White House chief of staff he was concerned about the possibility of impeachment and that when former Attorney General Edwin Meese stated "that the president

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did not bave contemporaneous knowledge of the November 1985 Hawk shipment, Regan knew the "would have exposed oew evidence of the administration's efforts to Mr. Walsb said Mr. Meese and possibly Mr. Bush would have been called as defense witnesses for Mr. Weinberger and "would on public cross-examination have been sub-

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# Spain Acts to Solve Rainy-Day Problem

# Huge Project of Waterworks Is Expected to Take 20 Years

By Eugene Robinson

MADRID - The rain in Spain stays mainly in the northern plain. According to the Spanish govern-ment, this problem will take 20 years and more than \$30 billion to

While the north receives ample rainfall, the three-quarters of the rest of the country is chronically parched. To spread the hydrological wealth - an age-old Spanish dream - the government of Prime Minister Felipe González has proposed large-scale construction of dams, reservoirs and other water-works with uncertain environmen-

"It is a real problem," Mr. González said. "In the 1930s, when Manuel Azaña was president, he once flew over Castille and said, 'The problem with Spain is that it doesn't rain.' That was a bit pessimistic, but yes, it is a serious prob-

The water issue has been brought into sharper focus this year by an acute drought that has forced authorities to impose water restrictions in some areas, including Seville. Crities ebarge that the government is using the drought as an excuse to push through the 20-

Spain expects to receive billions of dollars from a new EC "cohesion fund," assuming that the Treaty on European Union is eventually ratified. But Spain already uses more water per capita than other European nations, most of it to irrigate 7 million acres of land for farming.

As the EC grapples with huge agricultural surpluses, Spain ex-pects to increase output steadily over 20 years.

Charges for the water in Spain are a fraction of those Germany, Belgium and Britain, Commentators in other EC countries have asked why they should indirectly subsidize cheap water in Spain that will be used to grow more food The Spanish political opposition has charged Mr. Gonzalez's government with shortsightedness that worsened the impact of the current drought. But Mr. Gonzalez maintains that he bas been working on the water issue throughout his decade in office.

Of all the dams and other water projects built in Spain since the 15th century, he said, 20 percent have been built since he became

The water plan must be approved by the legislature before it can take effect. Adrian Baltanas, director general of waterworks, said that while the drought is serious - reservoirs are at 20 percent of capacity in the midst of what should he the rainy season - the immediate crisis can be handled. But he said the situation highlighted the growth in water usage caused by Spain's rapid econon development, as well as the need to correct an age-old imbalance.

We have an enormous irregularity of climate in time and space." Mr. Baltanas said, "Some years have more rain than other years, and some regions have more rain than other regions.

According to projections, he said, the water needs of Spain's urban populations will increase by 45 percent in 20 years, while industry will need 30 percent more water and agriculture 14 percent.

The grand plan projects a Y-shaped system of reservoirs and canals to bring water from the north to the south. At least 150 to 175 new dams would be needed. Twelve percent of the added water needs would be met by repairing or re-

placing aged aqueducts.

The ecological implications of such a huge program have not yet been fully analyzed by the Spanisb environmental movement, which is

still in an embryonie stage. Mr. Baltanas said that wetlands were being encroached by ranchers and that underground aquifers were being plundered to supply wa-



Palestinian mourners getting a final glimpse of the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, as he lay Monday in his coffin at Al Aqsa Mosque on Temple Mount. Sheikh Saad Eddine Alami, 82, died of a heart attack on Saturday. He was the religious authority for Israeli Muslims.

# Smoothing Christopher's Mideast Visit

WASHINGTON - To prepare for Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher's Middle East mission next week, the United States has launched a diplomatic offensive to defuse the dispute over the 415 Palestinians deported by Israel.

Senior State Department and White House officials met a delegation headed hy the Pales-tinian spokeswoman, Hanan Ashrawi, on Monday, and an Israeli delegation headed by its chief negotiator, Eli Rubinstein, was flying to Washington for talks on Tuesday.

"They are trying to clear the way so that Christopher's mission does not get totally bogged down in the deportee issue," a source close to the talks said. Israel deported 415 Palestinians from the

occupied territories on Dec. 17, asserting that they were members of Hamas, a militant Islamic group responsible for killings of Israelis. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin said last week that be would allow 100 deportees to return and cut the deportation terms of the rest to a one-

year maximum. The United States welcomed

the offer, but the deportees, who are living in tents on a barren hillside in southern Lebanon,

The deportees said Monday that they would refuse allow the evacuation of any more sick and wounded to Israel, even if they died. They banned any more evacuation of casualties after Israeli troops took five sick deportees to jail in Israel on Sunday.

Now. Mr. Christopher bas the problem of how to resume Arab-Israeli peace talks, which were suspended on the day the deportations vere announced.

He leaves for the region on Feb. 17 and is expected to visit Israel, Egypt, Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia during the following week. One Middle East diplomat said the United

States was likely to urge Israel to make more gestures before Mr. Christopher's arrival, perhaps by releasing other Palestinians in its prisons or easing conditions in the territories in some way, to make it easier for Palestinians to rejoin the negotiations. It would be politically difficult for Mr. Rabin

to make new concessions on the deportee issue,

but he might be willing to move on other fronts.

At the same time, Washington would urge the Palestinians to make the difficult choice to return to the talks because they had the most to lose by staying away.

■ Israeli Soldiers Kill 3 More Youths Israel said Monday that troops had shot and killed three more Palestinian yonths in the West Bank in surging violence that has left 10 Arabs dead in the occupied territories since Friday, news agencies reported from Nahlus in the Israeli-occupied West Bank.

Troops killed a teenager Sunday night in the village of Toubas, during a demonstration in support of Gaza Palestinians, and shot two others Monday in the nearby village of Ta- soon do the same, diplomats said, moun, during protests against the arrest of a Although Iran is seeking to re-

Since the Palestinian revolt, or intifada, began in December 1987, at least 1,013 Arabs have been killed by Israelis. Another 549 Arabs have been killed by other Palestinians, mostly as alleged collaborators, and 110 Israelis have been killed, (Reuters, AP)

# 2 Britons Near End Of Antarctic Trek

LONDON - Two British explorers, Sir Ranulph Fiennes and Dr. Michael Stroud, were battling sickness, hunger and subfreezing temperatures on Monday, seeking to complete the first unsupported crossing of the Antarctic ice shelf. Sir Ranulph, 48, and Dr. Stroud, 37, have already made the first unsupported crossing on foot of the Antarctic continent as well as the

longest unsupported polar march. They have not been aided by dogs, power vehicles or air support.
They now have about 350 miles to go to reach Scott Base, where a ship is waiting to take them home.

said a spokesman for their expedi-tion, David Harrison. "But an aw-ful lot will depend on Fiennes's, injured foot and their dwindling food supplies."

Sir Ranulph has an infection in his foot that has not responded to antibiotics and is now being treated

with anti-inflammatory drugs.
"Obviously there is pain," Mr.
Harrison said. "But his spirits are high and they were both very cheerful on the last radio call in spite of

temperatures of mmus 40 and winds gusting up to 40 knots." Sir Ranulph and Dr. Stroud, us-

ing cross-country skis, have hauled all their food and gear on sleds. They have lost about one third of their body weight since setting off on Nov. 6 and are low on food. Dr. Stroud is suffering from frost-bilten hands, Mr. Harrison said,

They reached the edge of the ice continent on Sunday after a jour a ney of 1,280 miles (about 2,000) kilometers).

On Friday, they set a record for an unsupported polar crossing of 1,245 miles, breaking a record set in 1909 by an expedition led by Douglas Mawson of Australia.

They are racing against time to reach Scott Base in deteriorating weather conditions, before the waiting cruise ship is scheduled to sail on Feb. 17.

If Sir Ranulph decides to end his trek, or if both men miss the ship, two aircraft are standing by in the

vicinity to pick them up.

The men undertook the journey to raise £2 million (\$2.8 million) for the Multiple Sciences Society.

#### IRAN: U.S. Products, Not Politics

(Continued from page 1) finding it difficult to cope with a severe financial crisis that climaxed in recent weeks. In an effort to encourage the private sector, the

government early last year allowed commercial banks to handle foreign trade deals. The result was a huge bulge in letters of credit with foreign banks to finance imports, all of which are now due at the

But falling oil prices left the govcurrency to pay off these credits. Germany, France and Italy have refused to ensure any new credit by its banks to Iran, and Japan may Although Iran is seeking to re-schedule some of this short-term debt - estimated at \$5 billion and is willing to pay steep interest. rates, no government or commer-cial bank has yet agreed to bail it out, the envoys added.

President Hashemi Rafsanjani

had clearly hoped to take advan-tage of a new U.S. administration to launch a process of deteate, sev-eral diplomats and Iranians said.

But at a news conference here last week, Mr. Rafsanjani failed to make the expected overtime to President Bill Clinton. As is his habit, the Iranian leader used more moderate language toward the United States than his hard line colleagues do. But his main mes-sage was that the next move must

come from Washington. Mr. Rafsanjani's restraint is partly explained by still significant anti-American sentiment in Iran's ruling clergy and in its parliament, despite the defeat of the most hardline faction in last April's parlia-

Iran's spiritual leader. Ayatollah Sayed Ali Khamenei, also publicly deplores restoration of ties with "the arrogance," as the United States is called. While many ob-servers believe Ayatollah Khamenei is playing to the public with Mr. Rafsanjani's tacit support, rather than challenging the Iranian president, the more conservative clergy cite Ayatollah Khamenei in touting the "incompatibility" of their Islamic revolution with the United States.

With presidential elections due in June, Mr. Rafsanjani must take these views into account. Many diplomats and Iranian analysts predict that despite grumbling about his administration's economic mismanagement, he will be reelected.

#### TRADE: East Asia Uneasy.

(Continued from page 1)

trade or aggressive market-opening measures enforced by unilateral imposition of stiff penalties for

Mahathir bin Mohamad the Malaysian prime minister, said recently that supporters of the plan for an East Asian caucus did not want to create a trade bloc. Instead, he said, their aim was to form a powerful Asian lobby for maintain-

ing free trade. Already, bowever, there is unease among East Asian countries and industries that have benefited from access to a relatively liberal global trading system that a combination of regional groupings and sluggish economic growth in many parts of the world will fuel protec-

Wong Kan Seng, Singapore's foreign minister, said that the rise of economic regionalism in North America and Europe was forcing

East Asian nations to consider how they could work together. He said that the economic success of Japan and other dynamic countries in the region had led some developed states to "question the usefulness" of the multilateral

trading system under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade: Mr. Keating, in a speech to a trade conference in Sydney, said that nations on both sides of the Pacific should avoid protectionism by pursuing a policy of "open re-gionalism," under which trade would be liberalized but not in a way that disadvantaged other The objective, he added, should be to create a buge trans-Pacific

market bound together with harmonized rules for trade, investment, standards, certification and the settlement of disputes. Nonetheless, pressure to form an

East Asian economic cancus is already strong and seems likely to

East Asia's share of world output of goods and services nearly doubled to reach 18 percent in 1990. from under 10 percent in 1965, and continues to rise.

This success had created enormous new markets, Mr. Wong toldthe World Economic Forum last month. "But it has also required painful adjustments in other countries," he said, "especially the Unit-ed States and Europe, as noncompetitive industries are phased out and workers are retrenched."

Mr. Wong said the United States and Europe were entering "a more introspective phase" as they grappled with structural problems of competitiveness while "fair and managed trade are being loudly championed by influential opinion makers instead of free trade."

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#### 132 Killed When Iranian Airliner **Crashes After a Midair Collision** The plane was one of 10 Russian.

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TEHRAN - An Iranian airliner carrying Muslims on a religious pil-grimage collided with a military plane Monday and went down in flames, killing all 132 people military base at Karaj, west of the 17 pilgrims to Meshed. The planes aboard, Iran's official press agency

nesses as saying that bodies were seen tumhling to the ground after the military plane crashed into the tail of the Russian-made Tupolev The press agency IRNA said the

pilot and co-pilot of the Russianbuilt Sukhoi military plane were believed killed The airliner, carrying 119 passengers and 13 crew members, incinding a Russian pilot, had just taken off from Mehrabad Airport for Meshed, site of one of the most

important religious shrines for Iran's Shiite Muslims. Tehran residents said the military plane might have been taking

 part in Air Force Day celebrations. part of 10 days of events marking the 14th anniversary of the Islamic. Revolution. Local journalists re- carrier, Iran Air. It was used on ported that the wreckage fell on a regular domestic flights and to car-

and civilian craft, complain of near-collisions nearly every week in Tehran's overcrowded skies.

Iran was not known to have Sukboi warplanes, but Iraq moved 148 civilian and military planes, including 75 Sukhois, to Iran during the Gulf War to avoid destruction by the U.S.-led military alliance.

Aviation officials in Tehran said all the passengers were tranians making a pilgrimage to Meshed, a northeastern city of 500,000 people and the capital of Khorasan Province. The tomb there of a founding imam of Shiite Islam is one of fran's most important religious

re leased for one year complete Pilots who fly out of Mehrabad with Russian pilots, maintenance crews and cabin attendants. The civil aviation organization said the passenger list showed there

airliners chartered by Iran Air Tour, a subsidiary of the national

were no foreign passengers on the Tupolev, IRNA said the pilot and four crewmen were Russian. Tehran radio said the warplane

was one of two flying over a mili-tary installation near Karaj, west of Tehran, when the collision occurred. IRNA said witnesses saw "three aircraft in the sky, two similar mili-

tary and one passenger plane."
"The first military plane passed
by the passenger plane," it said. "and after a few moments the second one crashed with the passenger (Reuters, AP)

# For Sihanouk, an Open Door Cambodia Vote Likely, and No Rivals in Sight

By Philip Shenon New York Times Service

PHNOM PENH - Twenty-three years after his ouster as Cambodia's head of state, Prince Norodom Sihanouk is moving quickly to reclaim power here, this time with the support of forces that be once considered

his mortal enemies.

The United Nations is on the verge of revising the 1991 Cambodian peace accords to allow the election of a president, a move that would all but guarantee Prince Sihanouk's return to power this spring or The 70-year-old prince, who is scheduled to return here this week, has already announced that he is a

presidential candidate, and be said Monday that he wanted the office to have as much constitutional power as the U.S. president has. In a nation that for a generation has known only civil war or terror, there appears to be no other figure

with enough broad popular support to challenge him. "Sihanouk is the only answer," said John Gunther Dean, a former American ambassador here who has known Prince Sihanouk since the early 1950s and is still a frequent visitor to Cambodia. "I have been

known all my career as a defender of Sihanouk. I know that he is the essential cement in Cambodia." The nations tacitly supporting him include the United States, which the prince has long suspected was involved in the 1970 coup against him that put his

prime minister, Lon Nol, in charge, Diplomats and students of modern Cambodian history say there is reason to be concerned about Prince Sihanouk, saying his mercurial personality,

political misjudgments and refuctance to share author-ity were at least partly to blame for the coup and the subsequent rise to power of the Maoisi-inspired The Khmer Rouge overran Cambodia in 1975 under the nominal patronage of Prince Sihanouk, setting off a four-year reign of terror that left at least several

hundred thousand and perhaps more than a million Cambodians dead from starvation, disease and Even after the Khmer Rouge were toppled by Vietnamese troops in 1979 - and after the mass killings of the Khmer Rouge years were fully exposed — Prince Sihanouk aligned himself with the Khmer Rouge in a

civil war against the Hanoi-installed government. "It's a matter of there being nobody else; there is only Sihanouk," a senior Asian diplomat in Phnom Peah said. "When Sihanouk ruled, he didn't tolerate the rise of a new generation of leaders. He didn't want rivals. And when the Khmer Rouge took over, anyone with leadership skills or talent was killed."

Whatever their misgivings, many in Cambodia agree that the prince is the nation's best hope for national reconciliation. He alone, diplomats say, has the negotiating skills and the support needed to draw the current. Vietnamese-installed government, the Khmer Rouge and two smaller rebel factions into a

Operating from his homes in exile, in Beijing and North Korea. Prince Sihanouk was the moving force behind years of negotiations that led to the peace treaty. He is in Beijing now, almost fully recovered from a mild stroke he suffered in November, aides

# Rockets and Shells Rain on Kabul

KABUL - Hundreds of rockets and shells rained down Monday on Kabul, killing and wounding dozens of residents, as Afghan rehels launched their heaviess ombardment of the capital in three weeks of lighting.

On the 21st consecutive day of fighting between the army and guerrillas, rockets struck at one-minute intervals around the presidential palace, the Defense Ministry, and in central residential areas. The official Kabul radio said that more than 200 rockets had hit the city, killing 54 people and wounding more than

Four rockets struck a residential area near the Jamhuriat hospital, killing to people and senously

wounding 20 others, doctors said. The hospital admitted 50 others who had been wounded in other parts of the city, said Marc Biot of Doctors Without Frontiers, and 12 others were dead on arrival. Doctors at the central Wazir Akhar Khan hospital said 20 dead were brought to the hospital Monday morning, as well as 60 wounded. Most of the injuries were caused by

The bombardment was the heaviest since Gulbuddin Hekmatyar, leader of the fundamentalist Islamic Party, launched his latest attack on President Burhanuddin Rabbani.

Hospitals say 3,000 people have been wounded and hundreds killed in the last three weeks.

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Germany's political lead in

founding a green party is echoed in

its fashion world by the investment

and effort made by Steilmann to

create environmentally friendly

fashion production. Two years ago

he embarked upon a process of "cleansing" his clothing empire of harmful dyes, allergy-causing met-als and even eliminating glues used

in the packaging in favor of biode-gradable or recyclable materials. His daughter Britta has founded a

company called Awakenings that is working especially with cotton to "go green." All this is far more

profound than fashion's kind en-

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ogy in straw tied at the waist.

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# On Runway: Coffee and Green

International Herald Tribune USSELDORF - Is there a new woman emerging from a united Germany? "Yes," says Klaus Steilmann, Europe's largest manufacturer. The same new woman who started

in the 1980s — she has a much higher degree of independence in every respect — now she's got to roll up her sleeves and push the

The first European shows for the winter seasoo have opened here alongside Düsseldorf's mighty trade fair in that fighting spirit. The German designers deal in certainties: skirts are loog, and

#### **SUZY MENKES**

no messing about with multiple layers or flimsy fabrics that elsewhere express the breakup of the established order. If you want short hemlines, you can have shorts sturdy in tweed or leather and already a hot item for the fashion

Pantsuits are in; bell-bottoms are an option. A black leather jack-et is a must. The season's color is coffee-bean brown with soft knits in cafe-au-lait and cream, Whimsy? Forget it. Quality? The finest that Deutsche marks can buy.

It was all summed up Sunday night by Escada's show, where the models swept out in high-heeled shoes in pastel pantsuits, topped by a matching parks or sweeping midcalf coat.

Long skirts for power women? No problem. With a split at the back, they took mid-calf hemlines in their stride. Jackets bristled with gilded buttons or had five zippers where none would do. Blonde cashmere knits had polar bear motifs. A penguin print decorated the gla-cial blues of the sportswear section. The British monarchy may be having a tough time, but at Escada it was celebrated with plaid Balmoral Castle ball skirts and jackets with a riot of crown-and-carriage embroi-

dery.
Everything was upbeat. The quality and workmanship were first-rate. And the confidence, in an uncertain fashion world, was

breathtaking. "In a Depression, women don't want to be depressed and we have to empower people to tackle the challenges," says Escada's founder, Wolfgang Ley. In an emotional ending to the show, he embraced the designer Michael Stolzenburg, who took over on the death last year of Ley's wife and partner Mar-

So German fashion is out to

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terned parkas and knits. Stolzen-burg's international studio team inoew mood for the 1990s, German Vogue puts the focus on woman as

Vamp, Tramp, Champ.

And where the rest of the fashion industry is buckling under recession the CDD fair (Calledtone Bartone) sion, the CPD fair (Collections Première Disseldorf) is all muscle. of the season and the collection Manfred Kronen, founder of the fairs and German fashion's Mr. Fixit, puts his optimism down to that "if women have bought black the political unification that other- and white then they will want wise is creating problems. "Our something else." market got 20 percent more con-sumers, even if they are in a low budget, and that was good for the German economy," he says. "With mothing either to suggest a path for empty wardrobes in the East, we women to follow in fashion for the had two fabulous years in 1990 and 1991.

Yet, in spite of his confidence, his belief in the industry and his enthusiasm for German investment in the emerging market in southern China, Kronen admits that the fashion industry, which built its success on quality, workmanship and efficient production and delivcry, is now in a new phase.

TORLDWIDE, the consumer is chang-ing, and in spite of the fashion opportunity offered by the "new hemline, new silhouette that comes like a present from God," the German clothing industry needs more creative input. On Wednesday, Kronen will unveil the project be first dreamed of two years ago: a post-graduate fashion college to act as a "seed-bed" for designers who otherwise are flattened creatively by the commercial force of the manufacturing industry or by the finan-cial impossibility of supporting their own boutiques and businesses. Twelve designers will be selected for a residential course, starting

in September. Creativity in fashion is an elusive commodity that is harder to produce than the technically excellent clothes in high-quality fabrics that go into the sportswear collections. Bogner showed on the runway sturdy coats as well as relaxed plaid hirts and the inimitable ski wear. Marc Cain showed knits in classy combinations of tunic top with mid-calf skirt or pants and winter-

weight shorts. Michael Stolzenburg, Margaretha Ley's assistant for five years, has absorbed the Escada company philosophy that "women have dif-ferent needs" — as well as a market from Japan through Europe to the Americas, which he calls "a big

"I tried to do more younger elegance while keeping the tradinonal customer to add a new one," he says. That meant sportswear buck the trend. Where elsewhere with body-warmers patterned with there is doubt and confusion and a edelweiss and the penguin-pat-

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# On Street. Fur Reigns

International Herald Tribune USSELDORF — If there is angst, insecurity, doubt or fear in a united Germany, it does not show on the fashionable face of this city. The weekend parade on the König-

this city. The weekend parade on the Königsallee still has an awesome prosperity.

Ankle-length furs sweep the black and
white tiled floor of the Ko Gallery — Düsseldorf's shiny shopping mall. The furs are
furrowed, braided, patterned, even colored
salmon pink or lagoon blue. Shoes have
studs in the high heels and fancy leatherwork on the uppers. Purses match the footwear, and bttle girls match their mothers in
miniature fur coats, shearliogs and fluffy
boots. Even relatively sober cloth coats have boots. Even relatively sober cloth coats have a deep-pile luxury that makes them ripple and shimmer as they are reflected in store windows. Hats, Tyrolean or trilby, are worn at a jaunty angle.

In other cities, shoppers may have stopped, but here there is an excitement and an enticement to buy, or just to people-watch at the cafes that ring the Ko's blue and green glass atrium. The international designer names in clothing and accessories have their plate-glass heart here along with Germany's big fashion bouses from Escada and Laurel.

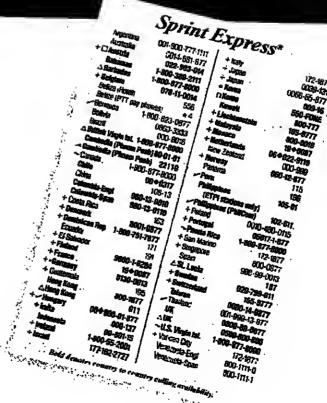
But here, as elsewhere in the city, buying as the natives do is the best shopping policy. The sheer oumber of fur and shearing coats on the streets ensures the survival of an endangered species: the small furrier. In the Altstadt or old town, shops in the pedestrian area offering sturdy furs for a bourgeois clientele jostle against small shops and art galleries. Tradi-tional loden coats and jackets, not to mention the Tyrolean hats, can be astute fashion buys that look stylish when removed from their

Bastion, Bilker and Hohe streets are all worth exploring, for unlike the glitzier high fashion areas, there is a natural mix of delicatessens selling aromatic oils, funky fashioo jewelry boutiques, bread shops with their shiny brown plaits and pretzels, home stores with regional china, traditional Westphalia wood carving and ethnic objects from farflung spots - oot to mention the Konditerei with candies molded into inventive figures and shapes.

The 200-year-old Karlstadt runs into the old town offering bars with authentic beerkeller atmosphere. Although mixed patterns of shopping, from antiques through to food and quirky accessories, is the trend for the 1990s, there is a reminder of Düsseldorf's fashion origins in the old town where Schneider Wibbel, a tailor of literary legend, has the nose of his statue rubbed, for good luck in life - or maybe a wise purchase in



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# Clinton's Economic Job

American economy are becoming visible, and the latest, the drop in the unemployment rate last month, is most encouraging. But it is not as important as another number appearing last week showing a sharp increase in productivity last year. It was the largest jump in the past two decades, suggesting that the corporate restructuring of recent years, with all those painful layoffs and plant closings, are beginning to show results not only for individual companies but for the country as a whole.

Productivity is simply output per bour of labor, and it determines a country's standard of living. It rose at a pace of nearly 3 percent a year in the 1960s, but from the early 1970s through 1991 it went np by less than I percent a year. During the recent election campaign, you heard the ehorus of complaints that Americans are living hardly better than 20 years ago. That was the political counterpart to the story that the productivity numbers self. But last year, productivity suddenly shot

The great question is whether that increase can be sustained. To keep it going will require a great deal of money, invested in new production equipment, technical re-

More good signs of a strengthening search and education. Where is that money going to come from? Most of it will have to be supplied from the stream of capital that is now financing the federal deficit. Or, to put the same thing another way, it has lo come out of consumption - which requires cuis in federal spending and higher taxes.

Borrowing is too high, and savings are ton low. That is why President Bill Clinton's economic strategy, to be announced in his Feb. 17 address, is going to be crucial. If be proposes a serious and sustained attackon the deficit, that is a promise of funding for growth, and the economy will respond.

But there is, alas, much restructuring still to be accomplished. Americans have worked down some of the great pile of deht that they accumulated in the spend-ing boom of the 1980s. As a result, they are now beginning to spend a little more. That is the chief reason for the economy's improvement since last summer. An economy driven by consumer spending can create a Int of jobs, as the United States demonstrated throughout the 1980s, but it cannot do much for the living standard. Changing that deeply entrenched national pattern is now the challenge for President Clinton and the country that elected him.

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# Campaign Reform Now

An unmistakable fog of political incompetence is beginning to form around the White House. The Bush and Carter presidencies showed the danger of letting droplets of error condense inin an enveloping miasma. History also points out a quick fix uniquely available to presidents — change the subject by re-emphasizing a core promise. In President Bill Clinton's case, one such promise is political reform.

No one can undo the mistakes of the past two weeks - all the more reason for Mr. Clinton to get on with pushing ethics and campaign finance legislation on the Hill. But he must have the support of the Demo-cratic leadership, and the unpleasant truth is that House Speaker Thomas Foley is still backpedaling on his pledge of swift action to clean up campaign financing.

The House has now approved two impor-tant measures vetoed by George Bush: the voter registration reform nicknamed "motor voter," and the Family Leave Act. A good week's work all around. Yet Mr. Foley is reluctant to redress another damaging Bush veto killing last year's bill to overhaul campaign financing. He has become the instrument of an inner circle of Democrats who believe that reform could loosen their grip on the House and who put partisan ambitions ahead of the need for political reform.

His retreat represents a clear threat to Mr. Clinton, who looked weak after an inconclusive White House meeting on the issue last week with Mr. Foley and other congressional leaders. Mr. Clinton cannot afford to leave the terms or timetable for a reform so central to the success of his presidency to selfish members of Congress. He nomic arguments seem more persuasive.

must grab the lead, and quickly. tion that would reduce lawmakers' corrosive achievement of Mr. Clinton's first 100 days.

competitive elections. But he will not set a timetable. That still sounds like Washingtonspeak for "we like our perks; the people can wait." True, the House did pass a promising reform package last year. But there was no one in the White House who wanted to sign

it, much less make it tougher.

The Senate majority leader, George Mitchell, has put the campaign finance issue on a fast track, with the clear goal of getting reform legislation to the Senate floor hy late next month or soon thereafter. Mr. Foley, who says he is "eager," also says he will get around to the issue in the spring or maybe the summer. That's eagerness?

Ordinarily, a lag of a few months might not ring alarm bells. But to delay in this case could have heavy costs - killing, for example, any chance that the reforms would apply to the 1994 congressional elections. And it gives nervous incumbents and Washington insiders who profit handsomely under the system time to organize a fatal filibuster—or to dilute the provisions until they seem more a collection of loopholes than serious reform.

The speaker's excuse is that forcing members to cast tough votes on a campaign finance measure now could jeopardize Mr. Clinton's domestic centerpiece - an economie package that will also require them to see beyond their own political needs.

He has it backward. Swift enactment of a campaign finance measure incorporating Mr. Clinton's professed ideals of cleaner government would enhance the new president's battered standing with the public in ways that could only help make his eco-

With Mr. Foley's help, serious campaign Mr. Foley says be is committed to legisla- finance reform could still be the crowning

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

# Mobutu on the Ropes

spite a rioting army, he still clings to power. And he faces a new demand from Zaire's chief creditors - France, Belgium and the United States - that he transfer authority to a transitional regime, as he promised months ago. But Zaire's curren-cy is as worthless as Marshal Mohutu's

It is an embarrassme promises, a reality he cannot change with a wave of his internic cane.

When he finally goes, Marshal Mobutu will be universally unlamented. Zaire is poorer today than it was 27 years ago when Colonel Joseph-Desire Mobutu seized power in what was then called the Congo. However divided, his political apponents were strong enough to close down the capital of Kinshasa last month with a strike.

Marshal Mobutu can hang on only if the army and his elite guard rescue him once

History seems to be catching up with again. His soldiers rampaged last week President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire. De-when they discovered that their Zaire bank notes were worthless. Hundreds of people, including the French ambassador, died as riots spread through the capital. Ominously, Marshal Mobutu now threatens "radical therapy" in punish disloyal troops "infect-

It is an embarrassment that the author of this anarchy was embraced by Washington as a friend because he helped arm anti-Marxist rebels in Angola. In the 1970s. Zaire was the largest recipient of U.S. aid in Africa below the Sahara. Although Marshal Mobutu eagerly sought those dollars, he now has the audacity to depict himself as a victim of Western imperialism. The Clinton administration can make amends for errors past by sending an unmistakable signal that his departure is overdue.

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#### **Ashe Will Be Missed**

rose to world fame from a segregated life in funds for the United Negro College Fund Richmond, Virginia, is to miss the larger point of his life. He was, to be sure, a worldclass athlete, sitting on top of the tennis world in 1968 and 1975, following championship victories at the U.S. Open and at Wimbledon, But Mr. Ashe, who died at 49 on Saturday of complications from AIDS, will be a legendary figure in modern American history not just for the many years when he electrified the tennis world. He will be honored for the unselfish way he used his success and enormous off-court talents in enrich the lives of others.

He left tennis before he was ready, forced into retirement by heart problems in 1979. But that only allowed him to step up his activism in behalf of causes that he deepty cared about. For him, South Africa tested "the credibility of Western civilization." Mr. Ashe forcefully pressed the case against apartheid, getting himself arrested in the process. But he was called by more than

To hail Arthur Ashe as a tennis giant who South Africa. He could be found raising promoting tennis programs for inner-city vnuths or working to help more black athletes graduate from college — all of which he did with great success. Frail and sick with the AIDS virus, which be believed was contracted from a blood transfusion after heart surgery in 1983, he still came to Washington last fall to demonstrate against the treatment of Haitian refugees.
In a way, it was Arthur Ashe's last con-

test, the struggle with AIDS, that allowed him in demnnstrate the qualities for which he will always be remembered. He could have folded after disclosure of his illness (especially given the circumstances that forced the announcement), but he didn't. With etass, civility and eloquence, he took up the fight against AIDS. As with the game of tennis, after Arthur Ashe's contrihution, the scourge of AIDS will not be looked at in the same way,

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# Serbia Is a Nation in Dangerous Hands

B ELGRADE — Serbia stands accused of igniting Europe's worst convulsion of destruction, cruelty and violent death since the fall of Nazi Germany. The chaos is a long way from

over. Indeed, the worst may be yet lo come.
What kind of state started this? Why do Serbs support leaders who have plunged their nation into poverty and world isolation?

The senior of the three pivotal personalities of the Serbian state is President Slobodan Milosevic, 51, who has a growing reputation, in the words of the last American ambassador in Belgrade, as "the slickest con man in the Balkans." He has a fiercely loyal 46,000-man police force. He invented the Serbian state, and he alone pulls its strings.

His government is, by turns, pragmatic and savage. It tolerates Belgrade demonstrations in which hundreds of thousands of middle-class

There are no brakes on this system. What the world calls criminal acts, our leaders call Serbian heroism, and they are getting away with it."

Serbs denounce him as Europe's Saddam Hussein. And it counters them with a nightly parade of Serbian corpses, allegedly butchered by Croats or Muslims, on the evening news. The message is chillingly simple: This is what happens if Serbs don't stand up to their enemies. He easily won re-

election in December to a five-year term.

Vojislav Seselj, the emerging No. 2 in the
Serbian state, is a former fanatical Communist turned fanatical Serbian nationalist. He carries an automatic pistol in his pants, kicks protesters who get in his way and charges \$500 for an interview. As a politician, be leads the largest opposition force in the Serbian and Yugoslav parliaments. As a paramilitary commander, he sent his forces to fight and loot in both Croatia and Bosnia. He is now advocating the "cleansing" of non-Serbs who live inside Serbia.

With Mr. Milosevic's silent backing, he appears regularly on state-controlled television, where he functions as the entertaining and articulate "bad cop" of the regime.

Zeljko Raznjatovic leads the paramilitary Ti-

gers. Arkan, as he is commonly known, is the highest-profile enforcer in the Serbian state. He is a former bank robber, prison-escape artist and suspected international bit man for the Communists who once ruled Yugoslavia. He has become rich and famous by leading groups of young Serbs, many with criminal records, in killing and

looting sprees in Croatia and Bosnia.

Mr. Milosevic quietly sponsored his election late last year to the Serbian parliament, where ominously — he represents an ethnic Albanian region that the CIA says is the next target for Serbian "ethnic cleansing."

What these three men have in common — besides being accused of war crimes by U.S. government officials and various buman rights organizations - is genuine political support among a large number of Serbian voters.

KUALA LUMPUR - Are intol-erance and distrust going to

dominate the 21st century, or do we

have the vision and the will to build a

future of our interdependent world?

its place are new or half-forgotten

antagonisms that quickly erupt into hloody and unpredictable conflicts. Religious fundamentalism is poten-

tially as threatening to global peace

and stability as was communism - if

not more so, since it appeals to senti-ments and traditions with a far longer

The Gulf War, the continuing ten-

sions in the Middle East, the conflicts of the Central Asian republics of the

former Soviet Union and the persist-

ing aggression in Bosnia-Herzegovi-

na are a constant reminder that one

of the principal factors in the post-

For centuries, of course, the Mus-

lim world was perceived as a common enemy by Christian Europe. That folk memory is easily revived, espe-

cially in the face of increasing bigot

ry. On the Muslim side, anti-Western

rhetoric expresses widespread disillu-sinnment with both capitalism and

communism. The West is partly re-

sponsible for this because of its moral

inconsistency in dealing with the Muslim world. At the same time, the

Western bogey is invoked by tyrants

and aggressors for reasons of sheer

If we are to have a new world

order, it is essential to overcome the

musual incomprehension that often

characterizes current relations be-tween Muslims and non-Muslims.

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Cold War realignment is Islam.

history than Marxism-Leninism.

The Cold War may be over, hut in

By Blaine Harden This is the first of two articles.

"There are no brakes on this system," said Nebojsa Popov, a Serbian sociologist and political writer in Belgrade. "What the world calls criminal acts, our leaders call Serbian heroism,

and they are getting away with it." To understand why these men are "getting away with it," it is necessary to understand the Serbian state: an eclectic mix of Communist bureaucratic control, relentless propaganda, state-directed violence and, oddly enough, a measure of genuine democratic freedom. The glue that seems to hold it all together is nationalism

Serbian nationalism draws on an abiding feeling of victimization and historical injustice, obsessively recalling that Serbs have been conquered and butchered by Ottoman Turks, Germans and Croats. It teaches that the very survival of the Serbs is threatened by a conspiracy of Roman Catholic, Islamic and imperialistic enemies.

It promises that one day soon there will be a "Greater Serbia," which will embrace the 2 million or so ethnic Serbs in the former Yugoslav republics of Croatia, Bosnia and Macedonia.

And, to a considerable extent, it is delivering newly conquered territory to the motherland.

This is not to say that Serbia has no legitimate interests in the rights of Serbs living outside the republic. The splintering of Yugoslavia made them minorities in foreign countries, cut off from

them minorities in foreign countries, cut off from their Orthodox religion and culture.

In Roman Catholic Croatia it became scary to be a Serb. A swaggering nationalist regime in Zagreb dressed itself up in flags and crests reminiscent of the Ustashi, the Nazi puppet state that sent hundreds of thousands of Serbs to death camps. After 1990, many Serbs in Croatia were forced to take loyalty oaths, and those who refused were fixed from state jobs. refused were fired from state jobs.

(In Bosnia there were no such oaths, no real threats to the safety of Serbs, and the Sarajevo government made repeated attempts to satisfy Serbian demands for political autonomy.)

While Serbia's concern for its diaspora is undoubtedly legitimate, it is far from unique. The collapse of the Soviet Union left about 20 million Russians as minority citizens of foreign countries, many with Islamic majorities. Three million ethnic Hungarians, since the end of World War I, have had to live as minorities scattered in four countries. Poles are stranded in Lithuania, Germans in Poland, Romanians in Moldova. Yet the men at the heart of the Serbian state preach that the Serbis

plight is uniquely intolerable.

The consequences of this policy for Croatia and
Bosnia have been horrible, but the long-term precedent for Europe could be worse. The "Serbian solution" may well prove irresistible for demagognes across the continent who are seeking to ttract voters and adjust borders.

Nationalism, it would seem, is the key to understanding the three Serbian leaders. But they are more opportunists than true believers. In 1986, when Mr. Mikosevic was still a rising apparatchik in the Communist Party machine, he said: "Nationalism is the card on which all enemies of socialist Yugoslavia play." When Mr. Seselj was a student in Sarajevo in the 1970s, he beat up fellow

Wanted: Muslim Renewal in a Pluralistic World

By Anwar Ibrahim

The writer is finance minister of Malaysia.

plex realities of the global situation

— and this unfortunately applies to the intellectual clite as well as the

wealth in the hands of Muslims,

grinding poverty is still a condition of life in many parts of the Muslim world. It will be a grave moral indict-

ment of the political and intellectual

leadership of the contemporary Um-

mah if it cannot alleviate the suffer-

ing of the hard-core poor. We must do note to mebilize savings from the richer Muslim countries, and channel

them effectively into financing eco-

nomic development in poorer coun-

tries. And we must recognize the sub-

jective factors, such as negative

values and rigid social practices, that compound the problem of poverty, and be prepared to confront them.

Rampant corruption, disregard for fundamental human rights, denial of

educational and employment oppor-tunities to women, illiteracy, economic

disparities and tolerance of tyrannical

regimes are not the symptoms but the causes of our decay. These social prob-

lems are of our own creation, and we

It makes little sense to criticize Western materialism when most

Muslims cannot afford the basic

amenities of life. ft is inconsistent to

censure modern education when

most of us are denied access to basic

schooling. This stance merely ensures that Muslims are marginalized: They

cannot blame them on others.

Despite the immense natural

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In my view, as a Muslim, it would be a helpful beginning if the Ummah, the world Muslim community.

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another proof of our intellectual and

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initiative. We have become accus-tomed to hlaming everything on the colonial past; we remain oblivious to

the excesses and brutalities inflicted

We have demonstrated no moral

phesion in our attempts to rational-

ize or condone aggression, and the valid concept of jihad, or holy war, is misused as a political ploy by authoritarian and oppressive regimes. The Muslim psyche prefers appeals to the emotions theorems.

to the emotions through stogans and rallying cries, rather than penetrating

by Muslims on other Muslims.

students he assessed as too nationalist or insuffi-

ciently Marxist, according to a classmate. And Arkan had more interest in robbing banks than in ideology. He was convicted of armed robbery in both Belgium and the Netherlands (where he escaped from prison), before getting hired by the Yugoslav Interior Ministry, allegedly to assassinate Croatian exiles whose activities irked the Communists.

A number of leading Belgrade academics and opposition politicians dismiss the Serbian leaderhip's rhetoric about nationalism and look beyond the recent Communist past. "It is much better to speak and think of National Socialism in Nazi speak and think of Nahonal Socialism in Palat Germany," says Bozidar Jaksic, a sociologist and the director of Belgrade's Institute of Philosophy and Social Theory. "It is a more precise descrip-tion of what is happening in Serbia."

At a recent meeting on emerging fascism, Mr. Jaksic and other academics spoke of how the

Milosevic regime is using paramilitary gangs much as Adolf Hitler's Nazi movement used gangs of unemployed men, the storm troopers, to incite violence and punish enemies. In both Croatia and Bosnia, continuing cycles of brutality were sparked by Serbian paramilitary attacks. As in Germany in the 1930s, the payoff in Serbia in the 1930s is that the sames and to beau what their than

1990s is that the gangs get to keep what they steal.
"I saw Arkan in his white Pajero driving in and out of eastern Croatia in the fall of 1991," says a Belgrade journalist, who spent several weeks with Arkan in 1991, kept a careful diary and chooses to remain anonymous. "He was super-vising as his men drove truck after truck of r across the Danube into Serbia. They

were taking blankets, tires, shoes and whiskey."
What worked for Arkan in Crostia in 1991 worked even better last year in Bosnia. "When they entered a cleansed Muslim house, a couple of them would head for the kitchen and start moving them would head for the kitchen and start moving out kitchen appliances," recalls the Belgrade journaist, who was with the Tigers as they cleaned out the town of Zvornik. "Others would go for the television and the VCR. Somebody else would start digging in the garden, looking for buried jewelry. You could always recognize Arkan's men. They had dirty fingernails from digging."

But before cleaning out merchandise, Arkan and his Tigers had first to "cleanes" the human.

and his Tigers had first to "cleanse" the human beings who owned it. Photographs taken last spring in Bijeljina showed Arkan's men shooting Muslims and kicking their corpses.

Arkan has been presented as a national hero on state-controlled television and has built on his celebrity to open a detective agency, a chain of money exchange shops and several gas stations. About 50 private bodyguards protect his home in Belgrade. His election to parliament gives him immunity from criminal prosecution.

"I promise you nothing," Arkan told the Serbian minority in Kosovo at a December election rally. "But I pledge to defend you with the same fanaticism that I have used to save Serbs in Croatia and Bosnia." His rise to power in Kosovo, in an election that the Albanians boycotted, is viewed by the U.S. government - not to mention the local Albanians — with dread and alarm.

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nological society which will shape the

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This must change. Our destiny is shaped not by looking for scapegoats but by our own actions. The Muslim

community should resolve its identity

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have forgotten thal Islam commands us to defend the rights of the poor and oppressed; to refrain from eco-

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Socially just society.

These precepts will help us to establish our priorities. As the our own community, we must develop

the notential to construct and main-

tain an economic infrastructure that

is self-reliant and globally competi-

tive. We must raise living standards, provide people with better education and health care, and offer them a more humanely sustainable society. But we must also take a wider view,

and promote cooperation among

Muslims and other members of the

global community striving for a shared aspiration: an equitable world order based on social and economic justice.

In doing so, we must accept the reality

of a pluralistic world, remembering that Islam recognizes the legitimate

existence of other religions and reject-ing any doctrinaire rigidity that re-

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# Let Us Open • The Debates Over Health

By Jonathan Mann

BOSTON — The post of directorganizacion is the most importani m global health. Facing enormous problems of malnutrition, overpopaation, environmental threats, resurgent malaria, AIDS and other tronbles, the world desperately needs clear and effective bealth leadership. For this reason, the recent nomination of Dr. Hiroshi Nakajima for a second five year term as director general is profoundly disturbing.

Dr. Nakajima's failure in his first

term to articulate a clear global vision of health or to develop coherent responses to the world's major health roblems is serious. It is scandalous that he has been renominated — and could easily be re-elected — without any public presentation or discussion of what he stands for.

The world deserves to know about his global health priorities, policies and proposals before he is elected. The organization's constitution adopted in 1946, states that informed opinion and active coopera-tion on the part of the public are of the utmost importance [for] the bealth of the people." Yet the world's top health official is nominated by the 31 members of the WHO Execu-tive Board meeting in secret session,

with no public accountability. The entire process of selecting the director-general is conducted behind closed doors, where special-interest politics can most easily gain the up-per hand over global health.

Yet all is not lost. The process can still be opened to public scrutiny, The election does not take place until May, during the World Health Assembly in Geneva. The Executive Board's nominee need not automatically be confirmed. Let there be a globally broadcast debate among all the declared candidates for the post. Let the world hear what each candidate proposes to do about the many challenges to world health. As we saw in the U.S. presidential campaign, a reluctant incumbent cannot long resist the public's powerful desire to learn

more, in an open forum, about the policies of those who propose to lead. A globally broadcast debate would be a symbol of the world's growing desire to exercise the precious right to be informed - and to democratize

bealth in the process.

These debates would enable respected health experts - like the head of the International Red Cross Committee, leading academics, grass-roots health workers, health activists and experienced journalists to question the candidates on the public's behalf. Both broad questions ("How are changes in the global environment affecting health?") and specific or the control of the change of the cific ones ("How would you make the global fight against AIDS more effec-tive?" or "How will you reduce political patronage in WHO?") would be worth asking. And the answers would

be worth hearing.

A global debate would break the web of secrecy that surrounds the selection of people for key posts in the United Nations system.

This kind of open and democratic exchange would allow people around the world to understand, and thereby increasingly participate in, discussion of major health issues.

Public statements make for public accountability. And with the 21st contact the candidates public committeed by the candidates public commitment to priorities, to internal reform

and to a vision of global health.

Finally, as the election in May is by
vote of member governments, public
response to the candidates and their proposals could influence the election, through the democratic channels available in each country.

Expect howls of protest from those entrenched in the system. Yet the idea of world health debates would not be hard to carry out. All that is needed is a commitment to openness. and responsive media. In a few months, the world's health

leader for the next five years will be chosen. It is wrong for the global public and global health to be held hostage to secrecy, silence and the March would be an ideal time for the first debate — for this first giant step toward public scrutiny

and participation. Ultimately. democratization of global health is the only way to mob-lize the public commitment that will

be needed to confront the global health challenges ahead.

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#### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Rush on Commons

LONDON - Mr. Gladstone will bring in his Irish Bill on Monday [Feh. 13]. There has been a tremendous rush for tickets of admission, to the Strangers; and the Speaker's gaileries. It is estimated that there have been received 6,000 to 7,000 applications for 110 seats available for strangers which are at the disposal of the anthorities. Some members have received hundreds of applications.

1918: To the Sea, Singing

LONDON - Sergeant Du Buque, of Brooklyn, a survivor from the torpe-doed troopship Tuscania, told a Daily Express correspondent yesterday [Feb. 8] that nearly all the eight starboard lifehoats were either blown into the air nr rendered useless. He and his comrades were immediately lined up, and, standing to attention began singing "the Star-Spanger hamed" and My Country 'tis of Thee." The crew ang the British na-

tional anthem, the tune of which is the same as that of the latter hymn.

1943: Not Schicklgruber

NEW YORK — [From our New York edition:] Joseph Mittel, an American citizen of "German Austrian extraction," assured reporters last night [Feb. 8] that the name of his son, born Jan. 23, was Adolf Hitter Mittel and it was going to stay that way. Mr. Mittel said it was not because he admired the man already using that name that be had selected it, but he was sure that it wouldn't damage little Adolf. "Lots of boys have been named for persons in the same class as Hitler, like Napoleon and Julius Caesar. They've grown up. to be good men, and my boy is going to grow up and be a good man, too. We didn't name our boy Adolf because we admire Hitler. Anyhow, Hitler is not that fellow's name. His would have a lot of sons before he named any of them Schicklgruber.

# Honecker: A Last Chance for Justice

PRUSSELS — The cessation of proceedings against Erich Honecker, the former East German leader, offends man's sense of natural justice. As with Nicolae Ceausescu, the former Romanian leader, justice was neither done nor seen to be done. But in Mr. Honecker's case, a possibility of redress remains.

A Berlin criminal court charged him in November with responsibility for the deaths of 13 East Germans killed at the inner-German border. But on Jan. 12, the Berlin Constitutional Court ruled that his poor health would make his continued detention and trial an offense against burnan dignity, contrary to the German Constitution.

Experts testified that Mr. Honecker, 80, suffered from a liver cancer that could kill him within three months. The criminal court thus declared him free, and another court handling different charges dropped them. Mr. Honecker left the next day for Chile.

It may indeed seem cruel to put a sick old man through a long, drawn-out ordeal. But consider the background. In all, more than 200 East Germans were killed at the inner-German border after the Berlin Wall was built in 1961. Many others died or were imprisoned for opposing the

was accused, presumably, only in those cases in which evidence of personal involvement was clear and damning. He was not charged with crimes against humanity, many of which were committed during his rule, from 1971 to 1989,

He was arrested soon after the collapse of East Germany but long evaded judgment. He moved from house arrest to a Soviet military hospital in Germany and then to Moscow. The German government fought for his return.

Yet, the impression arose that the German authorities secretly hoped he would die first, saving them embarrassment. The speed with which the Berlin court found his trial unconstitutional and the criminal court discharged him left questions manswered.

When Nicolae Ceausescu was arrested after his regime collapsed in 1989, events took a different turn. His former commides set up a court that had no legal authority. After hrief proceedings on Christmas Day, he and his wife, Elena, were taken outside and shot.

They could have been truly pun-

By Frederick Bonnart ished for their heinous erimes against their countrymen only by being made to stand public trial, during which they would have been confronted with a full accounting of their misdeeds. But their captors had also been involved in these misdeeds, and so decided to settle the matter expeditiously.

Fortunately, the Honecker case is not quite over. The criminal court made a technical error that enabled the public prosecutor to appeal the decision. The Berlin state court therefore issued an order for Mr. Honecker to return to face charges. He has refused to return to Germany. The trial has been adjourned.

Lawyers say the constitutional ruling remains valid and the proceedings will be wound up quietly.

This would be a travesty of justice. Erich Honecker is not important. His sentencing or death cannot undo evils or bring back the dead. But these evils should be fully exposed and responsibility attributed. For

justice's sake, the trial should go on, even without him, to its conclusion. The writer is editor of NATO's Sixteen Nations, an independent military journal published in Brussels. He contributed this comment to the

International Herald Tribune.

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#### **OPINION**

# A Sneak Preview of Clinton's Plan

WASHINGTON — Whither the infant administration? We do not have to wait for the unveiling of the Grand Master Plan (or the Economy, scheduled for Feb. 17, to find out, All a pundit needs is a handful of public signals, a few whispered tips and his

handy-dandy divining rod.

Q: Which path will the president take -deficit reduction or economic stimulus? A: Both.

Q: But wouldn't such policy resemble the pushmipullyu, the beast with heads at both ends?

A: Not a bit; here's how it works. Pick any number from 15 billion to 30 billion (the figure doesn't matter, Congress will change it anyway). That is the job-creating liscal stimulus, a combination of new federal spending ("investment") on electronic highways and computer-directed leaf-raking ("infrastructure").

Q: Won't this add to the deficit?

A: The deficit will start to be reduced. sometime next year, by an infusion of new taxes to help pay for the beavier spending in the works, pleasing liberals, with a small portion set aside for deficit reduction, pleasing conservatives. Q: But if the economy is already making a strong comeback, wby do we need

the stimulus of increased spending? Won't that lead to inflation? A: Let me let you in on a dirty little secret: No Democratie economist will ever admit this, but they don't think inflation of about 5 or 6 percent is such a

bad thing. It would rescue real estate,

By William Safire

which in turn would bail out banks and insurance companies now himg up on bad real estate loans.

Q: Hold on, now - if the Clintonites are going to raise taxes to pay for new spending, and even put a few bucks in the kitty to sop up some red ink, where's the stimulus? Won't it be a wash, and not contribute to inflation?

A: That's the theory. And the theory even steals a leaf from the supply-siders, holding that the coming boom will in-crease all lax revenues and reduce unemployment and welfare costs.

Q: tt that's so, then why increase spending and raise taxes at all? A: Ah-hah! You have come to the nuh of the matter. The basic idea is redistribution; taking money (and the social

services now bought with money) from the richer and giving it to the poorer, with a fresh fillip — taking incentives away from old-fashioned industries and giving them to newfangled industries.

Q: What's so bad about soaking the Q: What's so bad about sometimes, issuing health stamps and boost-

A: Not enough richies. The surtax on incomes over \$1 million will make populists teel they got even with successniks, and Ross Perot's notion of stripping Social Security benefits from successful working retirees will be adopted, but will produce relative pin money.

The increase in top rates lirst from 31

percent to 36 percent and later to 40 percent will generate more at first, but won't do the redistributive trick. That great day for sharing will come with the bite on the main source of the country's wealth — the middle class — which will be hit with energy taxes, sin taxes and a

pain-concealed value-added sales tax. Q: How will this help growth industries doing their job-creating thing in clean exurban parks?

A: Redistribution of government incentives will begin with a capital-gains tax break that discriminates against old profits and old companies. And under the rubrie of "managed trade," our chief protectionist will retaliate against foreigners who stand in the way of newclass companies.

Q: And redistributing healthwealth? A: Hillary Robinhood Clinton has taken personal charge of this social equalization. Because the Republican alternative was accurately self-satirized at the Alfalfa Club in three words -"Don't Get Sick" - Democrats have a clean shot at removing the profit motive from health care, bomogenizing treatment and killing the goose that lays the

golden pills ...
Q: ... Is this n new Democratic philosophy?
A: No; it's the old liberal redistribution dodge in designer Jeans. But cheer up: The president proposes, Congress disposes; a little gridlock would be a

healthy thing. The New York Times.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Call It a Massacre

Regarding " 'Ethnic Cleansing' in Bosnia: A Savage Tale of Murder and Rape" (Nov. 28) by John F. Burns:

The fighting in the former Yugoslavia is not just another ethnic conflict, as opponents of Western military action lamely state. This is the massacre of one lightly armed group, nearly surrounded, by a vicious and well-armed group. Remember the last time the world vacillated in such circumstances?

The only group performing its moral duty so far is the press. Reporters bave constantly braved odds to bring the story to the world.

As for the others, John Kennedy once said that "the greatest place in hell is reserved for those who, in time of crisis, stay neutral."

> MALIK SARWAR. Tokyo.

#### Hungarian History

Regarding "Hungary Backs Autonomy

for Its Magyar Neighbors" (Jan. 26): This article on Hungary's "advocacy of substantial local autonomy" for ethnic Hungarians in neighboring countries mentions the alarm expressed by Romania and Slovakia over the policy. It adds: "Few in this region have forgotten or forgiven Hungary's conduct in World

War II, when Budapest joined the Nazi side in a futile attempt to regain territories lost at the end of World War I."

May I remind your readers of the conduct of Siovakia and Romania during World War II, when both were allies of Hitler's Germany. Romania sent three armies against the Soviet Union, General Caulo's Slovak army sent an expeditionary corps against the Russians, and both Romania and Slovakia initiated ferocious anti-Jewish pogroms. By contrast, the role of Miklos Horthy, an Anglophile who was regent of Hun-

gary, was relatively benign.

Hungarians have not forgotten or forgiven the mass expulsion of Magyars from Slovakia or the massacres of Hungarian civilians by Romanians and Ser-bian Chetniks, The conduct of successor states toward Hungarians living under their rule has not met Western standards of decency. The call for autonomous regency is reasonable and moderate and falls far short of the demand of a total revision of the unjust dietates that ended

ERVIN Y. GALANTAY. Lausanne, Switzerland.

#### The Umbrella Man

Why can't President Richard von Wezzsicker of Germany (pictured on your front page Jan. 26) hold his own umbrella? Oblivious to the struggle of London.

his aides to bold the umbrella over his bead against the wind and rain, he pompously glides forward like a king. Dry or not, he's all wet.

SARA SILVERMAN.

Smoke Gets in Their Eves Regarding "Pushing Smokers Out Into the Cold" (Meanwhile, Feb. 4):

Contrary to Anna Quindlen's assertion, the evolution of attitudes toward smoking has not been rapid and constant at all. James I tried to outlaw tobacco in the 17th century. The fight has continued, in waves, ever since. When it comes to scolding smokers, Anna Quindlen could learn a lot from the Puritans.

RICHARD W. LONG.

What strange priorities, Amid serious problems of drug usage and violence in U.S. cities, Anna Quindlen seems almost to argue that smoking around one's children constitutes child abuse and may be grounds to place them in foster homes. So much for the "Land of the Free and the Brave"; this reads more like "Alice in Wonderland."

# Four Years On, They're Still Trying to Kill Me

F OUR years, it's been four years and I'm still here. Strange how that feels simultaneously like

a victory and a defeat. Why a victory? Because when, on Feb. 14, 1989, I heard the news from Tehran, my instant reaction was: I'm a dead

man. I recalled a poem by my friend Raymond Carver about being told by his doctor he had lung cancer. He said are you a religious man do you kneel down in forest groves and let yourself ask for help ...

I enid not wet hut I intend to start today. But I'm not a religious man. I didn't kneel down. I went to do a TV interview and said I wished I'd written a more critical book. Why did I say that? Because when the leader of a terrorist state announces

#### MEANWHILE

his intention to murder you in the name of God, you can either bluster or gibber. I did not want to gibber. And because when murder is ordered in the name of God, you begin to think less well of the name of God. Afterward, I thought this: If there is a God, I don't think He's very bothered by "The Satanic Verses," because He wouldn't be much of a God if He could be rocked on his throne by a book. Then again, if there isn't a God, be isn't very bothered by "The

Satanic Verses" either. So the quarrel does not lie between me and God but between me and those who think, as Bob Dylan once reminded us, they can do any damn thing because they have God on their side.

The police came to see me and said don't go anywhere. Police officers watched over me that night. I lay unsleeping and listened for the angel of death Four years ago we all thought this crisis would be solved in a matter of days. That in the late 20th century a man should be threatened with murder for writing a book was too crazy. It would be stopped. So off we went, not so any deep-secret safe house but to a hotel in the countryside. In the room next door to mine was a reporter from the Daily Mirror who had checked in with a lady not his wife. I kept out of his way.

That night, when every journalist in the country was trying to find out where I'd gone, this gentleman—how shall I put this?—missed his scoop.

It was going to be over in a lew days. Four years later, it's still going on. And I am told the level of threat against my life has not diminished at all. I am told there is nobody protected by the Special Braneb whose life is in more danger than mine. A victory and a defeat. A victory, because I'm

alive. A defeat, because I'm still in this prison. I suspect that because I have not been killed, many people think nobody is trying to kill me. Many people probably think it's all a bit theoretical.

In the early months an Arab terrorist blew himself up in a Paddington botel. Afterward, I was told by a journalist who had visited the Hezbollah redoubts in Lebanon that she had seen this man's photograph on a "wall of martyrs." with a caption stating that his target had been me.

In 1992 three Iranians were expelled from Britain. Two worked at the Iranian mission in London, the third was a "student." The Foreign Office said they were spies, undoubtedly in Britain on matters related to the fulfillment of the farwa.

The Italian translator of "The Satanic Verses" was

nearly killed and the Japanese translator was killed. In 1992 the Japanese police announced the results of their investigation: The killers were Middle Eastern terrorists who had entered from China.

in the meantime an Iranian hit squad assassinated

By Salman Rushdie

the last prime minister under the shah, Shahpur Bakhnie sast prinse innister inder the saan, saanpur Bakhnar, in Paris. They nearly cut his head off. Another squad killed a dissident tranian singer in Germany. They chopped him up and put the bits in a bag.

At such times a great wild jangle fills your body. At such times you begin to come unsuck from your self.

To live like this is to allow people — including your wife — to call you a coward on the front page of the newspapers. Such people would no doubt be ive is a greater victory than 10 be murdered.

I have learned to let things go. Let the anger go, and the bitterness. It will come back, I know. When things are better. I'll have to deal with it then. In December 1991, a few days after the release of the last American hostage, Terry Anderson, I was governments to take up the case.

The boulder had begun to roll.

at Columbia University's celebration of the 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights. I remember saving that free speech is life itself. The next day the press was very sympathetic and to do with the government, positive. It was clear that Americans saw the issue, as

Then, at the beginning of

did, as one in which an old, taken-for-granted freedom had become a life-and-death matter. headlines as "Rusbdie Inflames Muslim Anger of any government to stand with me in public,

Again" (because I had asked for the publication of a parliamentary subcommittee on human rights. Within During the next year, as I visited more and more 48 hours, resolutions demanding that the government paperback edition of "The Satanic Verses"). countries, this dichotomy became ever more apparent. In the rest of the free world, the "Rushdie case" is about freedom of expression and state terrorism. In Britain it seems to be about a man who has to be

saved from the consequences of his own actions.

a consortium. I was able to be in Washington for its throughout the Muslim world. Scores of Muslim launching; at another free-speech conference I pro-duced the first copy and, as I did so, it was all I could this, which is why they have so courageously and do to keep back the tears.

I had come mainly to address both bouses of Congress. On the evening before the meeting, howev- skirmish in a greater war. To lose would have nner, I was told that Secretary of State James Baker had personally telephoned the leaders of both houses to

say be did not wish the meeting to take place.

Marlin Fitzwater, explaining the Bush administration's refusal to meet me, said, "He's just an author

We cannot afford to lose. Therefore we must win, It's that simple.

You don't kill people for writing books. It's

on a book tour."

The breakthrough came in late summer, in Norway. incredibly warm. This time the government also came and unequivocally withdrawn. through, including Prime Minister Gro Harlem What is needed now is for B Brundtland. By the time I left, I had elicited firm promises of support at the United Nations.

opportunity to push for a joint Nordic initiative. There was one snag. The British ambassador, invited to the session I was to address, refused to attend. Office, who had always assured me that my trips were soon, it can start doing a great deal less, made with the government's blessing. I asked him how.
I could expect other countries to believe the British

were behind me when my own ambassador wasn't.

wonderfully supportive everywhere I've been. In fact, the position of the British government is stronger than ever.

The position vis-a-vis Iran has strengthened im-measurably as well. The regime has been told that there will be no normalization of relations until the

They chopped him up and put the bits in a bag.

Nothing theoretical about that.

I am 45 and I can't leave my place of residence without permission. I do not carry a front-door key.

Sometimes there are "bad patches." During one "bad patch," I slept in 13 different beds in 20 mights.

At such times a great mild insele file your bady. At resolution stating that Germany will hold Iran legal-ly responsible for my safety and that should any injury befall me Iran will (ace economic and political

consequences. (The Swedish and Canadian parlia-ments are considering similar resolutions.) Also, an enormous German-Iranian cultural prepared to speak well of me at my funeral. But to agreement has been put on hold until the fatwa is canceled. Germany's willingness to use such leverage is what rattled Iran into the latest restatement of the faiwa and renewal of bounty offers.

This was a stupid move in Tehran; it only strengthened the resolve of a growing number of

The boulder had begun to roll. In November, tran's chief justice said that all Muslims were obliged to kill me, thus revealing the (alsehood of Iran's claim that the (atwa bad nothing

Then, at the beginning of December, I made it across the Atlantic again, to Canada. At a PEN benefit in Toronto, the premier of Ontario, Bob Rae, bounded Back home it was a different matter. I faced such on stage and embraced me. He became the first head The next day in Ottawa I gave testimony to the

places such as the World Court had been rushed through Parliament with all-party support.

I always knew this would be a long struggle; but at

least, now, there's some real movement. The great To know this is to carry a wound that does not issues here are freedom of expression, and national

beal. It takes away my strength. I do not know if anyone cares that it does.

The paperback was published in the spring of 1992, not by Penguin, which refused to do so, bot by dents being harassed, jailed, banned and murdered this, which is why they have so courageously and continually given me unqualified support.

This is their fight, too. To win is to win one

pleasant consequences (or me, but it would also be a defeat in that larger conflict.

straightforward.

The crisis will not be over until Iran's threats of PEN, the media and people of the country were state-sponsored international terrorism are formally

What is needed now is for Britain to take advantage of all the goodwill generated by the many, many people working on my behalf in a dozen or so In October I was invited to address a Nordic countries and to place itself in the forefront of the Council conference in Helsinki: a great honor and an international community's altempts to end this con-

I thank the British government for everything it has done for me. But I must ask it to do more now. On my return, I rang my contact at the Foreign and more energetically, so that, with luck, and very

The writer is author of five novels, most recently "Haroun and the Sea of Stories." He contributed this After Helsinki, British ambassadors have been comment to The New York Times.



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H.K. Denies Dumping

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Reuters Ms. Kwan
HONG KONG — Trade officials rejected EUropean Community charges that Hong Kong The plaints firms were dumping computer disks in Europe.

The plaintiffs, she said, failed to show they represented a majority of European makers of magnetic floppies, as required under EC antisaying no reliable evidence was presented.

"Very flimsy evidence of dumping has been put forward," said Maria Kwan, the colony's duction of Japanese-owned manufacturers.

assistant director-general of trade.

"We are not convinced that the EC industry suffered injury," she said, or that the alleged injury was caused by Hong Kong companies.

The Community initiated the complaint in She also rejected allegations that Hong Kong She also rejected allegations that Hong Kong Companies. The Community initiated the complaint in September on the basis of data supplied by five European manufacturers, who claimed injury and sought compensatory anti-dumping duties.

She also rejected allegations that Hong Kong disks had flooded the European market, saying that even while the regional market was growand sought compensatory anti-dumping duties.

**HELLO:** Newest Rules for Keeping in Touch

chief executive of General Magic, a small and until now highly secretive California company that has been developing basic software that the devices made by the six large companies would

["The alliance's shared long-term vision," Mr. Porat said, "is to bring personal communications to people who may not use a computer today, to people whose personal technology is a car, a television set and a telephone, Reuters reported from New York.]

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Through common software, the six hope to avoid a divisive industry fight in which many incompatible systems would enter the market. A single design, used by all companies, would allow all devices to talk to each other and would produce economies of scale that would bring prices down.

However, for now the alliance does not include such giants of the computer industry as Microsoft Corp. and Intel Corp., raising the incompatible sysspecter of a fight between

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Hoover:

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Au Revoir

Paris Plans a Fine

Over Job Transfer

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

PARIS - The row over Hoover

Co.'s decision to close a plant in

France and transfer production to Scotland took another twist Mon-day when Labor Minister Martine

Aubry said the government was

taking legal action against the U.S.

company over the move.

Mrs. Aubry said Hoover would be fined because it violated French

law by failing to notify its French

worker-management committee

about the move prior to announc-

She also said the government would investigate whether Hoover

had violated any European Com-munity regulations.

"It is necessary at least to respect the laws of the country in which

one is exercising an activity," the minister said on Europe-1 radio.

The Labor inspectorate was to file an official complaint with the

public prosecutor accusing the company, which is owned by May-tag Corp., of violating French labor

The Hoover move from Longvic, in the Cote d'Or region near Dijon, to Scotland will eliminate 600 to

The decision by the vacuum-cleaner maker has turned into a

sensitive issue in France, with legis-

lative elections approaching next

month and the governing Socialists taking beat for failing to cut the unemployment rate of 10.5 per-

Hoover contends that the trans-

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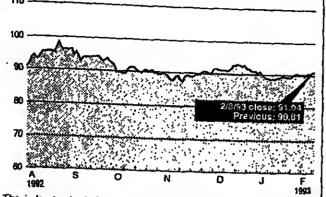
sions on wages and benefits from

Scottish unions that cut labor costs.

About 400 jobs will be created in

French politicians and labor

Scotland by the move.



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### **Would-Be Buyer of** N.Y. Post Compiled by Our Staff From Disputcher

**SEC Sues** 

NEW YORK - The Securities and Exchange Commission on Monday sued the financier Steven Hoffenberg, who is trying to buy the New York Post, alleging that be and his bill-collecting company fraudulently sold more than \$215 million in securitles to investors.

The SEC said Mr. Hoffenberg

and his company, Towers Financial Corp., had exaggerated assets and income by "stageering amounts" to persuade people to buy the securi-ties, which had not been registered with the regulatory agency.

Many of the sales, the agency said, were made to widows, retired

people and the disabled. The civil complaint filed in U.S. District Court in Manhattan said that in annual reports from 1988 until 1992, Towers portrayed itself "as a financially successful and se-cure company, when, in fact, each year it was incurring greater losses."

Other defendants are Mitchell Brater, 51, vice chairman of Towers, and Arthur J. Ferro, 51, head of its accounting department.

The lawsuit said Mr. Hoffenberg - whom it said used the alias Barry Cohen — along with Towers and the two executives had sold unregistered debt securities since 1989 to more than 2,800 investors in 40 states. Mr. Hoffenberg, 48, who signed a

contract on Saturday to buy the ailing Post, said: "I believe I am right and I intend to defend myself." The SEC is seeking to freeze Mr. Hoffenberg's personal assets and those of Towers and to have a trustee appointed to oversee the company. Federal District Judge Whitman Knapp refused to order Monday that the assets be frozen immediate

ly and set a Feb. 24 hearing.
It was not clear what effect the SEC action might have on Mr. Hoffenberg's effort to finalize the deal with Peter S. Kalikow that would give him control of the Post.

(AP, Remers)

# Czechs and Slovaks Paper the Split

By Tom Redburn International Herald Tribune

PRAGUE - After four days of confusion as Czechs and Slovaks rushed to redeem their old koruny for two separate new currencies. the monetary union in what was once Czechoslovakia came abruptly to an end

Monday. As of midnight Sunday, old bank notes of 100 koruny and above were no longer accepted in the Czech Republic, At that moment. only currency with an official stamp from the central bank was valid. Smaller notes and coins will continue to circulate freely in the Czech Republic, but in Slovakia even notes of

10 koruny must be stamped to be valid. The switch to separate currencies in the Czech and Slovak republics, which followed the official breakup of former Czechoslovakia on Jan. 1, reflected bow the two countries were tikely to deal with the inevitable strains that will continue to bedevil them in the months ahead.

'It's a beliwether of the future Czorh and Slovak village," said a Western diplomat in Prague. "When problems crop up, you can expect the Czechs to move similarly, to cut rapidly through the knot."

Czech and Slovak citizens, along with long-term foreign residents, were permitted to ex-change up to 4,000 korumy of old bank notes for newly valid currency. Children were re-stricted to 1,000 koruny. Any excess could be deposited in a bank account, but there are certain limits on withdrawals.

In an economy where cash is king and financial institutions are still distrusted by many people, the switchover led to long lines outside banks and post offices.

For all the problems, however, the currency split appeared to go remarkably smoothly. officials said. Few people inside the country were caught with worthless cash.

Newly printed bank notes are expected to be introduced later this year, perhaps as early as May, to start replacing the stamped money. Now that the split has occurred. Slovakia is expected to devalue its currency within the next few months, probably by about 20 percent or so, analysts said. The Czech Republic, which has managed to keep inflation under

Eastern Europe and is following a light mon-etary policy, is likely to maintain a relatively stable currency.

Some Slovaks already have set up bank accounts in the Czech Republic to protect themselves against devaluation. Many companies are struggling to develop new currency arrangements between suppliers on both sides of the new border.

Meanwhile, the Czech and Slovak governments have agreed to a clearing system to be operated in European Currency Units to handle payments between the two countries.

The rapid currency split, which was announced tast Tuesday by Vactav Klaus, the Czech prime minister, was precipitated in part by public disagreements between Czech officials and those of the newly created Slovak central bank.

That had led to a drying up of the informal exchange market in Vienna because banks in Austria, Germany and elsewhere announced in early January that they would no longer accept the currency of Czechoslovakia.

# NatWest and DAF Target Work Forces

#### U.K. Bank to Cut 4,000 Jobs in '93

minster Bank PLC announced ment and voluntary departure mea-Monday it would slash 4,000 jobs sures in making the job cuts. Laythis year as part of a continuing offs are trend by British banks to cut back resort. on their branch operations.

The new cuts follow a reduction of 5,000 employees in 1992, which brought the total work force down

NatWest shares fell 5 pence to finish at 443 pence (\$6.42) on the London Stock Exchange.

Most major banks, hit by bad debts and the effects of Britain's long recession, have announced job cuts in recent months in a series of program to control costs.

Part of the program at NatWest was the result of the increased use 1980s, British banks have been hit of technology, namely sutomatic hard by a surge in bad debts and tellers and other machines, in bankruptcies during the two-year banking, Nat West said. The bank said it would use rede-

ployment, retraining and natural LONDON - National West- wastage, followed by early retireoffs are to be used only as a last

> It added that the job reductions were part of a continuing drive to improve efficiency and to ensure the bank remained competitive. Of the total, about 3,200 jobs are

> expected to be cut in the British branch network. The Banking, Insurance and Fi-nance Union has estimated that banks in Britain cut about 12,610

employees in 1992. It has predicted thai 22,250 more jobs will be lost After expanding their operations in line with the credit boom of the

recession.

(UPI, AFP, AFX, AP)

#### 3,250 to Go at Dutch, Belgian Plants Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

truck maker DAF NV, trying to survive after losing nearly 800 mil-emerge from bankruptcy proceed-lion guilders (\$432 million) over the emerge from bankruptcy proceed-ings by shrinking the company, said Monday that it planned to cut ropean truck market. its work force at two Continental production plants by at least balf. in a letter to Dutch and Belgian employees, the company's administrators said DAF would need to lay off at least 3,250 workers at Wes-

The administrators said they had also discussed the possibility that the new DAF emerging from bank-ruptcy court would take over some activities of DAF's British subsidiary. Leyland DAF. The Leyland DAF heavy truck facility in Lanca-

shire, van plant in Birmingham and axle plant in Glasgow employ 5,500. British labor unions fear the new DAF will abandon the van opera-

tion and possibly the axle plant.

The announced job cuts form the AMSTERDAM - The Dutch latest chapter in DAF's struggle to ropean truck market.

The losses were largely blamed

on poor performance of the special products and finance operations, and DAF wants to concentrate on its truck manufacturing lines. Last week, the company was

terlo, Belgium and Eindhoven, granted court protection from creditors after they rejected the original restructuring and longterm refinancing plan. On Friday, Dutch banks and the

government agreed to a 225 million guilder stopgap financing package. The administrators gave no further details of their plan, but its broad outlines are consistent with Dutch press reports that DAF NV will be declared bankrups without any compensation for small share-holders. (AP. Rewers)

groups have objected that Hoover has "dumped" unemployment in France, where social charges and benefits are higher than in Britain, in order to benefit from less-restrictive arrangements abroad.

Separately, Mrs. Aubry said wage earners should work shorter hours and care less in order to ICCK FISHI sharing out jobs.

In a radio interview, she suggest ed cutting the legal workweek to 35 hours from 39 now, with a first cut to 37 hours within three years. She added: "But a wage cut will have to be discussed. You can't

#### **INTERNATIONAL STOCKS**

#### Mexico's Bolsa Is Riding A NAFTA Roller Coaster

By Tim Golden New York Times Service

EXICO CITY - The Mexican stock exchange has come down with the jitters about the fate of the North American Free Trade Agreement, After climbing 43 percent over the previous four months, values on the Bolsa de Valores began falling Jan. 26. By last Wednesday, the market index had dropped more than 11 percent.

Analysts were putting a good part of the blame on doubts about

the future of the agreement. But at no point during those seven trading days did anything occur to change the prospects for U.S.

come even in the

passage of the trade pact. The swings have agreement, almost certain to be ratified by Canada and Mexico, was not even a particular subject of debate on Capitol Hill.

absence of any news And when the market rallied about the pact. strongly Thursday — with the index jumping 3.2 percent on the last day of trading before a long holiday weekend — there was no sign that the trade accord had anything to do with the bounce. Investors

were mostly grabbing at short-term bargains, analysts said.

Trading Monday was weak and the key index slipped 19.27 points to 1,640.42, ahead of a series of year-end results.

A handful of other forces have been at work in the market's sharp correction: rising interest rates that siphoned money from equity investments and deepened concerns about overall economic performance; a surfeit of Mexican equities on international markets, and worries about the profitability of big Mexican companies as they prepared to issue quarterly earnings reports.

But the episode underscored how even after President Bill Clinton embraced the trade agreement, its tortuous legislative course in Washington shapes day-to-day perceptions of Mexican well-being.

When the Mexican exchange plunged from its 1992 high of 1,907.36 points on June 1, investors' fears were centered on the candidacy of H. Ross Perot, who attacked the pact Later, as the Bolsa index slid to a low for the year of 1,252.10 on Sept. 25, blame was directed at Mr. Clinton for his then-tend support of the according

Mr. Clinton's endorsement of the pact on Oct. 4 is credited by many analysts with having helped turn the market's fortunes around. Within two months, the index rose from 1,389.72 to 1,742.55.

Although the market's latest troubles did not coincide with pressure on the peso, some economists contend that Mexico's rising interest rates and widening trade deficit will force a devaluation.

# Certificates for Bonds Are Bogus, Tokyo Warns Investors Compiled by One Stell From Dispetcher The certificates have no legal basis and the ministry TOKYO — The Ministry of Finance warned investors warned investors are issued such certificates, a ministry official said. The uninistry has received 29 inquiries about the certificates at a heavy discount or by applying for loans with the certificates as collateral, Kyodo said.

been appearing with increasing frequency in Japan and abroad, especially in the United States. The certificates purport to certify that the ministry will

exchange them for Japanese government bonds equivalent The title on the bogus securities is "Certificate for Confirmation of Repayment on Bonds," the Kyodo News

1992. Some people who attempted to cash the certificates were arrested in Japan for fraud, but this did not put a stop to the appearance of the fraudulent securities. According to the Kyodo report, the certificates were printed in 1983. Forgers were apprehended in 1984, but

cates, including 17 from the United States, since April

the bogus certificates have acquired a life of their own, surfacing from time to time.

The certificates were printed with several face values ranging from 10 billion yen to 500 billion yen (\$80.3 million to \$4.01 billion).

The ministry has issued warnings through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to Japanese embassies and consulates general, as well as the U.S. Justice Department, State Department, Federal Bureau of Investigation and Securities and Exchange Commission. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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## Time Warner Produces Its First Annual Profit

Dec. 31, Time Warner had a profit NEW YORK - Time Warner Inc. reported a 51 percent surge in fourth-quarter earnings Monday and a profit for the full year, its first year in the black since the 1989 merger that created the media-entertainment giant.

Time's improved results reflected improvements in its publishing. music, movie, Home Box Office and cable divisions, said Gerald Levin, chairman and chief execu-

"In 1993, we are continuing to work on strengthening our balance sheet and further growing our busi-nesses," he added.

All but publishing had record ults for the quarter and year. Christopher Dixon, an analyst with Paine Webber Inc., said, "Earnings were in line with expectations as all operations performed well, especially filmed entertainment."

But preferred stock dividend payments produced losses per share in both periods. The company has taken steps in the past was directed at Mr. Chinton for his then-tepid support of the accord. month to reduce its preferred stock dividend obligations by retiring one series of such stock.

Time Warner shares limished unchanged at \$34.50 on the New York Stock Exchange.

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of \$68 million, up from \$45 million a year ago. But after paying \$93 million in preferred dividends, it had a loss of 25 cents a share, compared with a loss of 29 cents a share a year ago when it paid \$107 million in preferred dividends. Revenue for the quarter rose 9.7

percent to \$3.72 billion from \$3.39 For the year, Time Warner re-ported profit of \$86 million, after a loss of \$99 million a year earlier.

After preferred dividends, the company had a loss of \$1.46 a share, compared with a loss of \$2.40 a share a year earlier. Preferred divi-

dends amounted to \$542 million, down from \$692 million in 1991. Revenue for 1992 rose 9 percent to \$13.07 billion, from \$12.02 billion in 1991.

The company said operating earnings from publishing rose 6.5 million in the quarter, up 13 per-percent to \$132 million for the quarter, and 33 percent to \$328 up 12 percent. (AP, Bloomberg) earnings from publishing rose 6.5 percent to \$132 million for the illion for the year

The division was helped by mag-azine circulation and ad revenue increases, and a record year at

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Operating earnings from the mu-sic group rose 2.6 percent to \$196 million for the quarter, and 4.5 percent to \$585 million for the year.

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The movie division's operating armings climbed 2.2 percent to \$92 million for the quarter, and 5.1 per-cent to \$410 million for the year. Warner Brothers was in a close race with Sony Entertainment in

1992 to claim the title of domestic box-office champ. Warner, with such blockbusters as "Batman Returns" and "Lethal Weapon 3," won, according to the trade paper Daily Variety, with 19.8 percent of the U.S. market to

Sony's 19.6 percent. The Hollywood Reporter, however, declared Sony the victor. Walt Disney Inc. came in third in both

Time Warner's programming-HBO division had a 19 percent rise in operating earnings to \$56 million for the quarter, and 10.3 percent to \$215 million for the year.

The cable division earned \$255

Life magazine will be printed on smaller pages starting with its July issue and will slash advertising rates in May by 35 percent in a bid to make the monthly publication more appealing to advertisers, The Associated Press reported from

New York. The magazine also will reduce its circulation guarantee for advertisers by 12 percent in July to 1.5 million copies from the current 1.7 million. mainly by shipping fewer copies to independent distribution agents.

Publisher Nora McAniff said that smaller pages and the lower circulation guarantees would cut the magazine's costs.

The new pages, which make Life the same size as Fortune but bigger than the newsweeklies, should draw in advertisers who have stayed away because of the inconvenience of making ads fit Life's unusually large dimensions, she said.

#### PRIVATIZATION OF THE MANAGEMENT OF THE **ELECTRICAL POWER SECTOR IN CONAKRY GUINEA**

As part of its economic and financial reform programme implemented with the support of international financing organizations, the Guinean government has decided to disengage itself from the management of the electrical power sector before July 1993. The Guinean government wishes to hand over the management of this sector to a private organization which must ensure:

- an adequate level of services and access to electricity to all consumers capable of paying for such services - self financing of operations within a shoulated time period. The privatization option chosen consists in handing over, through a leasing arrangement ("affermage"), the operation of the electrical power

sector to an experienced private operator.

The roles of the main players in the sector will thus be as follows:

for the State : defining the energy, tartif and technical supervision for the owner Company (formerly ENELGUI) : contracting restructuring projects to the operator

 for the operator: implementing restructuring projects and contracting development projects to third parties. The international finencing organizations main contribution to this disengagement policy is the implementation of a restructuring project for the Guinean electrical power sector (Power II) for which the necessary funds (UDS 150 million) have already been found.

An invitation to tender will be made on February 15, 1993. For more information, please contact : S.E. le Secrétaire d'Etat aux Energies

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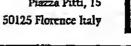
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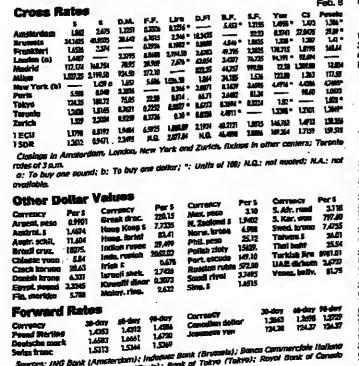
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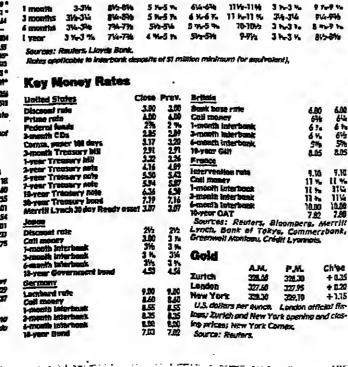
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# Caution on Street **Ahead of Bond Sale**

Compiled by Our Stoff From Disposches NEW YORK - A blue-chip rally that rocketed the Dow to two straight closing records last week and worries that this week's Treadebt may lead to higher bond

The stock market is keeping a wary eye on the bond market to see

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how the Treasury auction goes, said Jon Groveman, president of Ladenhurg, Thalmann & Co. The Dow Jones industrial aver-

age, falling for only the third time in the past 12 sessions, declined 4.60 points to 3,437.54. Standard & Poor's 500 index slid

1.08 to 447.85 and the New York Stock Exchange Composite index declined 0.53 to 247.07. Declining common stocks outnumbered advancing issues by about 8 to 7 on the Big Board.

Trading was less active than in recent sessions, with about 241 million shares changing hands.

Treasury bond yields rose as bond underwriters pushed rates was probably up on hopes a vacanfunding, which starts Tuesday. The

yield on the benchmark 30-year

bond rose to 7.19 percent from 7.16 percent Friday.

Investors are concerned that bonds have become too expensive ran out of steam amid profit-taking after a three-week rally and deand worries that this week's Trea-sury sale of \$35.5 billion in new If demand is light this week, yields on notes and bonds will rise and could lead investors to move money out of stocks and into fixedincome instruments, traders said. The Nasdaq Composite index

fell for a second straight session. down 3.13 to 697.85. "Stocks like Microsoft are getting hit, and since they carry so much weight on the Nasdaq, the whole index is down," said John

Blair, head trader at NatWest Secu-Microsoft slumped 34 to 854 amid concerns a delay in a Federal Trade Commission decision on a probe on the company could mean that action is more, not less, likely. General Motors rose % to 38% on expectations of strong fourth-

quarter results, analysts said. Eastman Kodak advanced 2% to 53%. Natwest Securities initiated coverage of the company with a buy. Goldman Sachs said the stock higher ahead of the quarterly re- cy to bead the consumer film division would be filled from outside.

# Rate Cycle Bolsters Yen Against Dollar, Mark

NEW YORK - The dollar and European currencies fell against the yen Monday on speculation that Japan's interest rates have hit bottom, traders said.

The dollar closed at 123.80 yen, down from 124.40 yen Friday. The Deutsche mark slipped to 74.725 yen from 74.947 yen.

To other dollar trading, the U.S. currency fell to 1.6570 DM from Foreign Exchange

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from 5.6125, but rose to 1.5360 Swiss francs from 1.5325,

The pound, hit by a wave of speculative selling early in European trading, closed at \$1,4390, down from \$1.4445 on Friday, and 2.3835 DM, down from 2.4027 The Bank of Japan last Thursday

cut its discount rate to 2.50 percent from 3.25 percent. That led investors to conclude that further rate cuts in Japan were unlikely, ana-

quickly outside Japan." said a trader at Fuji Bank. "We know interest economic advisors to the Treasury, rates in Germany are going lower.

Bundesbank the same day left the investors waiting for more, traders

Political and economic "pressure to cut German rates will continue." said Don Quattrucci, assistant vice president for foreign exchange at Shawmut Bank Connecticut.

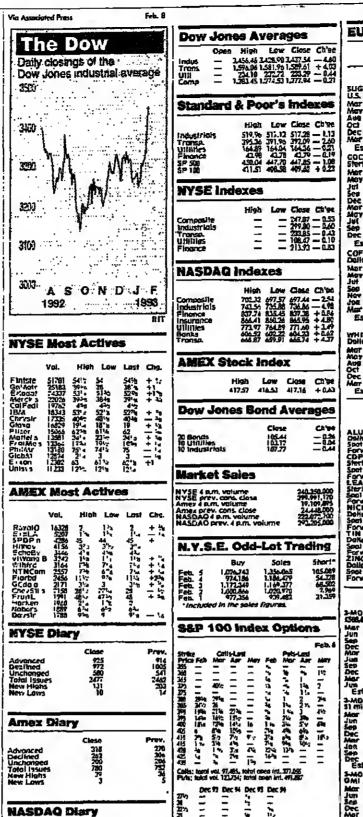
Speculation about more cuts from the Bundesbank will buoy the dollar this week, keeping it above 1.62 DM, Mr. Quattrucci said. The dollar could jump above 1.67 DM if talk of rate cuts heats up, he said.

Many investors and traders are likely to remain on the sidelines until Fcb. 17, when President Bill Clinton is scheduled to deliver his State of the Union address, said Marc Chandler, senior foreign exchange strategist at IDEA.

Mr. Chandler said Mr. Clinton would be floating a lot of economic proposals before then, and the address "will clear the air."

As for the pound, traders said it was hit by speculation about more interest-rate cuts in Britain.

The chancellor of the Exchequer, Interest rates will fall more Norman Lamont is to meet Tuesday with the seven independent most of wbom favor lower rates.



#### Soros Starts Fund With Reichmann

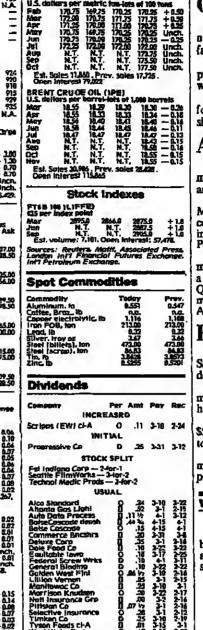
The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Financier George Soros is setting up a new real estate fund with Paul Reichmann, who oversaw the meteoric rise and collapse of the Olympia & York property empire.

The \$525 million Quantum Realty Fund, to begin operations early next month, will be managed jointly by a new Toronto-based company headed by Mr. Reichmann, Reichmann International and Soros Fund Management, which runs the \$3.5 billion Quantum Fund and other funds. Between \$75 million and \$100 million will be put up by Mr. Soros and

the Reichmann family, the Soros firm said Monday. The fund will invest primarily in undervalued U.S. and Canadian commercial real estate. Olympia & York emerged from bankruptcy protection in Canada over The base lending rate is 6 percent. the weekend under a plan that stripped Mr. Reichmann of control.

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**GM Sues NBC Over Pickup Test Film** DETROIT (Combined Dispatches) — General Motors Corp. said Monday it was suing the NBC television network and a U.S. testing company for

allegedly rigging a crash demonstration that showed a GM pickup truck equipped with a "sidesaddle" fuel tank exploding into flames.

The action came a week after an Atlanta jury found the trucks to be unsafe and awarded \$105 million to the parents of a teenager killed in a 1989 collision. CM has said it would account the Atlanta decision. 1989 collision. GM has said it would appeal the Atlanta decision. The GM suit seeks unspecified damages as well as a retraction from NBC, which broadcast a film of the demonstration on Nov. 17. The suit

#### also names the Indianapolis-based Institute for Safety Analysis, which does crash reconstruction work for the legal profession. Coors Goes Outside Family for Chief

GOLDEN, Colorado (Combined Dispatches) — Coors Brewing Co. named a new president on Monday, going outside the founding Coors family for the first time for the brewery's top operating position. The company named Leo Kiely, a former Frito-Lay Inc. executive, as

president and chief operating officer. Mr. Kiely, 46, succeeds Peter Coors, who became chief executive officer of Coors Brewing last June.

• Anheuser-Busch Cos. said nel income rose to \$161.6 million in the fourth quarter from \$159.2 million a year ago. It said its U.S. beer market share rose 0.4 point to 43.3 percent in 1992.

(AP. Bloomberg)

#### Apple to Unveil New Batch of Products

SAN FRANCISCO (NYT) — In its third big product rollout in six months, Apple Computer Inc. will introduce six new Macintosh computers and two oew laser printers Tuesday at the MacWorld Expo in Tokyo.

The machines include the first color model in the style of the original Macintosh. Called the Macintosh Color Classic, it includes a 10-inch (26centimeter) Sony Trinitron screen and will sell for \$1,389. The line also includes the first color model in Apple's popular line of portables, called Powerbook 165C, which will retail for \$3,395.

Apple also will show a new model in its LC line, the LC III, a low cost, modular called account to the cost, and the cost of the cost

nodular color machine intended for education, home and small business; a new line called Centris, aimed at mainstream business users, and a new Quadra, the 800, for those who use Macintoshes for such work as magazine layout. The new Laserwriters, at \$819 and \$1,000, will be Apple's least expensive laser printers.

#### For the Record

Salomon Inc. said it had created a new triple-A-rated subsidiary, Salomon-Swapco Inc., to trade complex financial instruments called derivatives.

Kemper Securities inc. dismissed about 150 employees and plans to cut nore as part of an effort to pare costs at the nation's 10th largest hrokerage, people at the company said.

(Bloomberg)

Kroger Co. said its net earnings rose 81 percent in the fourth quarter to \$53.1 million, after \$29.4 million a year earlier. Sales were up 11.2 percent to \$5.7 billion.

Safeway Inc. reported that fourth-quarter income climbed to \$22.2 million, after a \$47.7 million loss in the 1991 fourth quarter. Sales for the period rose 4 percent to \$4.85 billion. (UPI)

#### **Weekend Box Office**

The Associated Press LOS ANGELES - "National Lampoon's Loaded Weapon 1" led U.S. box office results, at \$9 million, in its first weekend of release. Following are the Top 10 moneymakers, based on Friday ticket sales and estimated

Loaded Weapon 1"	(New Line Cinema)	\$9 million
Sommersby"	(Warner Brothers)	58.4 m littor
Aloddin"	(Oisney)	57.7 million
The Vonishing	· 120to Century Fox)	\$5.2 million
A Few Good Men"	(Columbia)	\$4 million
Scent of a Waman"	1 Universol)	\$4 million
Sniper"	(TriStor)	\$3.4 milition
Alive"	(Touchstone-Paramount)	53.3 milMon
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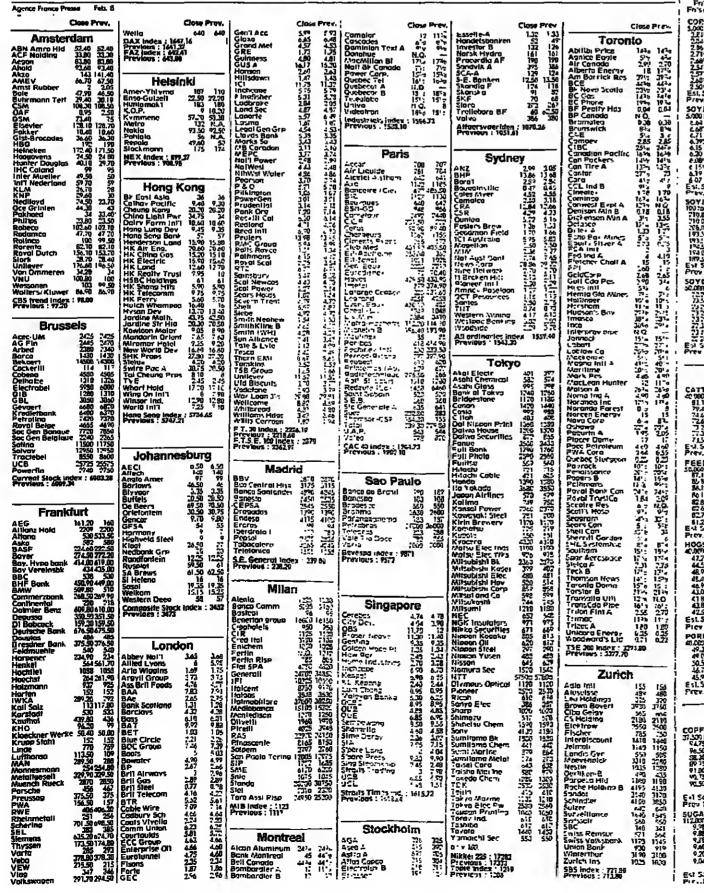
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# Charterhouse Price Appears Low

just £160 million to £170 million (\$231 million to \$246 million) in new money, only a slight premium to net asset value, analysts said.

Royal Bank is selling a 90.1 per-cent interest in Charterhouse to Crédit Commercial de France and Berliner Handels & Frankfurter Bank. The French and German banks will split the stake evenly.

Royal Bank put the total value of the sale at £235 million, but that included a special dividend that the bank took out of Charterhouse in September in anticipation of a sale. "I don't think one can regard this

AFP-Exiel News

SA will not acquire or merge with another Spanish bank, although it may consider taking a stake in Argentaria, Chairman Emilio Botin said Monday. Mr. Botin told shareholders at an extraordinary

meeting that the bank "does not consider one of its

objectives to be the merger with nor the purchase

Mr. Botin later told journalists that Santander

could be interested in acquiring a stake in the state-

owned bank holding company Argentaria when the government privatizes up to 25 percent, but

only as a financial investment, oot a strategic one.
If the price is good, Mr. Botin said, "I'm

willing to place shares in the bank network and

Mr. Botin said the bank will continue to expand

its presence abroad.
"I hope to see the moment when 50 percent of

capitalization, profits and assets comes from the

He said Banco Santander could raise its stake in the U.S. bank First Fidelity from the current 16.03

even keep a percentage for me."

international area," he said.

SANTANDER, Spain - Banco de Santander

LONDON — Royal Bank of Scotland's sale of most of its Charterhouse merchant banking arm, announced Monday, brought in instance of the first files william to \$170 million to \$ crued interest to date of completion, and will receive a £12.2 million payment on or before completion, expected by May or June. Royal Bank will keep Charterhouse's capital

markets unit and Charterhouse Development Capital's Scottish business. It will also keep a 9.9 percent stake in Charterhouse for now. BHF and CCF said Charterhouse's asset value was £170 million. The 90.1 percent stake the German and French banks are

value of £155 million. The sale price represents a subas a particularly good price for stantially smaller premium than

Santander Curbs Merger Appetite

buying would thus have an asset

bank disposals. British merchant constraints and conflicts of interest banks such as Morgan Grenfell and which ownership of a merchant Hill Samuel have been sold for more banking group operating in the than two times book value.

But these sales were in the frothy late 1980s. "Today it is very much a eau, said in Paris that the deal buyer's market," said Nick Collier, an analyst at Morgan Stanley. David Pourney, an analyst at Col-lins Stewart, called the sale "a fur-

ther indication of the trend in U.K.

banking to get back to basics." Most banks have spent the last few years pulling in their horns over-seas and shedding noncore businesses to focus on the British commer-cial banking and insurance market,

A BHF spokesman in Frankfurt cial banking and insurance market, with its high return on capital.

Royal Bank's chairman, Lord Younger, said the transaction would allow the bank "to develop our cor-

percent to above 20 percent, at which level Santan-

der could consolidate First Fidelity in its accounts.

Banco Santander has an option to increase its stake to 23.4 percent for \$287 million.

the First Fidelity investment is \$483 million.

He said the current unrealized capital gain on

Mr. Botin said the bank also plans to strengthen its alliance with the Royal Bank of Scotland, in

which it owns a 9.9 percent stake. Banco San-

tander's profit from its foreign investments and activities was \$205 million in 1992, Mr. Botin said.

Mr. Botin said the bank has not made any

special provisions for possible tax liabilities on

past tax-avoidance loan operations now being in-

bond of 8 billion pesetas (\$68 million) in Decem-

restigated by Spanish courts. The bank posted a

He also said the Bank of Spain's reductions in

banks' cash reserve requirements and contribu-

tions to the Deposit Guarantee Fund will free 4.5

billion to 4.8 billion pesetas (\$38 million to \$41

No comparative figure was given.

ber in relation to the charges.

million) for investment by Santander,

those attached to previous merchant porate banking business without the same market can entail."

CCF's chairman, Michel Péberwould allow Charterhouse, CCF and BHF to expand in Europe without making new acquisitions. He singled out Spain and Italy.

But Mr. Poutney was skeptical about Charterhouse's eventual success in achieving a significant in-There are still some very big cultursaid the acquisition had to be cleared by the Bank of England and European Community cartei

## **KOP Losses** Hit Outlook For Decade

Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatches HELSINKI - Kansallis-Osake Pankki reported Monday it had a group pretax loss last year of 3.66 billion markkaa (\$643 million), and the chairman of the bank said the Finnish banking sector would not

recover until the end of the decade. The loss, which widened loss from a 1.61 billion markkaa shortfall in 1991, was mainly due to increased write-offs of conperforming loans.

The parent company reported a loss of 3.34 billion markkaa, after a loss of 1.64 billion markkaa in 1991. Group write-offs on lending and guarantees climbed to 4.27 billion markkaa, after 1.34 billion markkaa a year ago. Nonperforming loans at year-end, excluding writeoffs, rose to 7.1 billion markkaa from 5 billion markkaa.

The bank said that despite the growth of Finnish exports, the slump in the domestic market was likely to persist for some time. Chairman Pertti Voutilainen

said, "This promises only very slow improvement in the banks' operating environment, and normal levels profitability will bardly be reached until the late 1990s."

KOP shares fell 10 percent on the results, ending the day on the Helsinki stock exchange at 9 markkaa, down 1,20 from Friday.

The nonperforming loans of the STS-Banken, which KOP bought last year, were 2.6 billion markkaa, and were not included in the 7.1 billion total. (AFX, Reuters, AFP)

# Dutch Paper Deal Faces Hard Going

#### Merger Partners' Profits Plunge Compiled by Our Staff From Dapatches nies came to 115 million guil-

AMSTERDAM - Three Dutch paper companies that are planning to merge in March said Monday that their profits had plunged last year and that market conditions would be

tough agaio this year. KNP NV, Bührmann-Tetterode NV and VRG Groep, which announced in November that they were planning to merge, said the name of the merged company will be KNP BT NV. The three had a combined 12.5 billion guilders (\$6.7 billion) in revenue in 1992, they said in a joint statement.

They reiterated the basis of merger: one share of the new company for each share in KNP and Bührmann, respectively, and four shares in the merged company for every five shares in VRG. The companies said the offer period will end March l and an announcement on whether the offer becomes unconditional will be made March

The companies said that despite the poor 1992 results due to recession, KNP BT can maintain and improve its competitiveness.

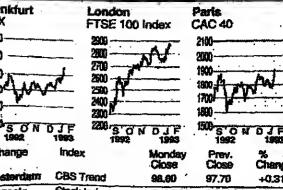
KNP's net profit for the year, including one-time charges and gains, plummeted 79.8 percent to 56.7 million guilders. Revenue was 4.7 billion, including its pro rata share in nonconsolidated companies.

Bührmano-Tetterode's net after one-time items dropped 51.5 percent to 50.0 million guilders on sales of 6.3 billion. VRG's net on the same basis plunged 78.9 percent to 18 million guilders. Revenue was 3.5

Pro forms combined 1992 net profit for the three compa-

# Investor's Europe

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paper and packaging maker af-ter Stora AB of Sweden and the largest paper wholesaler in Europe with a 10 percent market 899.27 (Reuters, AFX) Financial Times 30 2,226.10 CSM Digs in Heels FTSE 100 CSM NV, a Dutch foods group, said Monday it would General Index

Amsterdam Stock Exchange that the company lower its antitakeover barriers. Bloomberg Business News reported. Rinus Arentsen, the chief financial officer, said 90 percent of shares are traded to the form nonconvertible depository

not agree to requests by the

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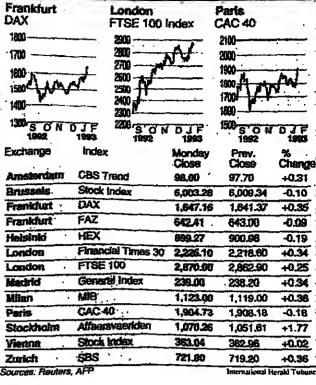
be the second-largest European

If the merger is approved by

receipts with no voting rights. meaning that CSM could never be taken over. CSM is one of 20 Dutch companies asked by the stock exchange to sign by Feb. 15 a pledge to reduce their protective defenses. Finance Minister Wim Kok also has requested

compliance, although there is no law requiring it. CSM's nonconvertible desitory receipts were issued in 1973, when the company became the target of a hostile bid from Scholten Honig, which acquired 35 percent of the shares, and Suiker Unie, which ac-

quired 45 perceot, said the chairman, Carrie van Loon. He also said CSM expected profit to grow in this business year because of recession-proof demand for basic groceries like bread and pasta. Net profit for the year to last Sept. 30 rose 11.9



#### Very briefly:

Renault's pretax result in the fourth quarter of 1992 would be "close to break-even," a spokesman said; pretax profit surged to 7.51 billion francs (\$1.3 billion) in the first nine months from 2.9 billion a year earlier.

GEC Alsthom said three of its German subsidiaries received orders totaling 193 million European currency units (\$226.6 million) to rebuild and modernize a power station near Cottons in Eastern Germany.

Philipp Holzmann AG said an increased dividend for 1992 was possible following an improvement in group operating profit for the year. Scandinavian Airline System said it needed help from the Swedish state in order to maintain all of its routes in Sweden.

 Air France said it signed an accord with pilots and navigators to save 260 million francs this year and eventually 400 million a year.

• Société Commerciale de Réassurances SA, a leading French insurer, said it was buying a 20 percent stake in COFACE, the French export insurance authority. It is acquiring shares held by two other insurers. Caisse de Dépôts et Consignations and Union des Assurances de Paris. Galeries Lafayette said sales rose 25.7 percent to 31.28 billion French francs in 1992 from the previous year.

· Lufthansa said it was in talks to take a 50 percent stake in Airtours International, a unit of Touristik Union International GmbH. Reuters, AFX, AFP, Bloomberg

# Russia Steps Up Privatization Drive

the pace of its privatization program Monday with sales of shares in the historic GUM department

shares in Russia's most famous store attracted investors holding more than 100,000 of the government-issued privatization vouchers, said Yuri Samonov, a member of the GUM board.

Nearly 6,000 individual investors or investment funds expressed in-terest in buying shares of GUM, he including shoes, clothes, household goods and souvenirs in

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches said. About 15.5 percent of the shops that border three aisles on MOSCOW — Russia stepped up store was offered for sale in the two floors in an arrangement that past two weeks; two-thirds of its looks like a shopping mall. shares already are in private hands.

among the facilities put on auction. cosmetics and Lego toys.

state-owned firms.

But a growing amount of the In Volgograd, a major tractor lucrative floor space in GUM is store and factories in the industrial factory, a beer brewery, a marga-rine producer, an aluminum enter-nics, including Botany 500 mens-wear, Santens towels, Yves Rocher

The government is encouraging citizens to use their 10,000 ruble (\$17.50) vouchers to buy shares in forestimates and put up facilities employing more than 50,000 people. The items In the Volgograd sale, officials for sale included the city's largest Some of GUM's profits still enterprise, the Felix Dzerzhinsky come from sales of Russian-made tractor plant, which employs

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with lardine Fleming Securities, argued that the remarkable boom of the late 1980s was an aberration that created unrealistic expectations and obscured some severe problems that were developing, including overcapacity, low produc-tivity and reckless lending policies by banks.

He said that Japan was struggling against severe odds to regain its footing, and that even when the economy regained its health, growth would be much slower than the blistering pace of the past. Industries will also be more vulnerahie to the ups and downs of the

Monday's Closing

Tables include the nationwide prices up to the closing on Wall Street and do not reflect late trades elsewhere. Via The Associated Pre-

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"It's very doubtful we'll ever see

jor blow."
At the other extreme are those like Karel van Wolferen, a Dutch journalist and author of an influential book, "The Enigma of Japanese Power." He retains total confidence in the skill of the hureaucracy. Mr. Van Wolferen insisted in an essay last year that the recession was part of a planned reorganizing that ultimately will make Japanese industry even more competitive.

Similarly, Kenneth S. Courtis, an economist here for Deutsche Bank Capital Markets, wrote an essay late last year, "Japan: Right on Course," arguing that the econoa period like the 1980s again," he my's movements and the govern-

leaner, more efficient economy by

Indeed, while corporate Japan's profitability is evaporating, that is far different from its products' betrade surplus, which set a record in 1992 of \$132.6 billion, more than double the level two years earlier. Exports are expected to rise further

Of course, the positions of most

said. "At some point, the economy will come out of this stronger, but not invincible. This has been a macrais themselves are acknowledging their surprise at the depth of this recession.

"By no means is the economy out of control, as some say," said Eiing less competitive. The best indi-cation that Japanese goods are still the international finance bureau of muscling their way into markets the Finance Ministry. "But we are ahroad is the country's rocketing not omnipotent. We don't control

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Mr. Sakakibara's confidence is a reflection of a fact that has gone little noticed during this slump. As the problems have deepened, and as more and more business leaders experts fall somewhere between have called on the government to these two arguments. Unquestion- fix things, the bureaucrats have acably, an industrial restructuring is under way, and it is expected to ever over economic activity.

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Monday's Prices

NASDAO prices as of 4 p.m. New York time.

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#### Ramos Acts Westpac Cuts Australian Bank Holdings To Break MELBOURNE — Westpac Banking Corp. moved to shore itself up Monday by selling its stakes in Australia & New Zealand Banking Deadlock

Melbourne.

age charges.

Group Ltd. and Bank of Melbourne Ltd.

The troubled Westpac said it raised 224 mil-

lion dollars (\$153 million) by selling a 6.1 percent stake in ANZ, and another 37.6 million

by selling its 7.6 percent holding in Bank of

The 77 million ANZ shares were sold

through broker Potter Warburg to institutions at 2.91 dollars each, delivering Westpac little profit on their written-down value after broker-

Banking analysts said Westpac had written down the value of the ANZ shares by more than

2.10 a share, or a total of 160 million dollars,

since buying into ANZ in 1989. The stake was

At Airline MANILA - President Fidel V. Ramos said Monday he had ap-proved the sale of government shares in a holding company to resolve a management fight within

Philippine Airlines. Mr. Ramos instructed the presideot of the Philippine National Bank, Gabriel Singson, to auction off the government's shares in PR Holdings, a consortium that bought 67 percent of the flag carrier last year in a move to make the airline a private corporation.

The government owns about 15 percent of PR Holdings, Mr. Ramos's decision would not affect the government's direct 33 percent holding in the airline.

Analysts say the decision to sell off the PR Holdings shares would break the stalemate within the airline between Antonio Cojuangco, a telecommunications tycoon, and

the tobacco magnate Lucio Tan. The president's move would presumably enable Mr. Cojuangco to buy enough shares to maintain con-

Mr. Cojuangco, a first cousin of former President Corazon A. Aquino, is chairman of the airline. But Mr. Tan, a former ally of the late President Ferdinand Marcos, has been trying to take control because of disagreements on aircraft purchases and joint-venture pro-

posais. When PR Holdings bought the airline, Mr. Cojuangco kept secret the fact that Mr. Tan was a major figure in the consortium. Mr. Tan owns 40 percent of PR Holdings,

the same as Mr. Cojuangco and his

(AP, Reuters)

valued in Westpac's books at 223.9 million dollars as of Sept. 30.

Market sources said the Bank of Melbourne shares were sold at 4.76 each to CS First Boston, which was expected to sell them in turn. Westpac shares rose one cent to finish at

3.03. ANZ ended five cents lower at 2.99, while Bank of Melbourne was unchanged at 4,86. The sale left Westpac, with ANZ one of Australia's Big Four banks, with just a 5.8 percent stake in Western Australia's Challenge

Bank Ltd. in its bank share portfolio. The Challenge stake is worth 11 million dollars. Bad-debt provisions related to property were largely responsible for Westpac's 1.56 billion dollar loss to the year that ended Sept. 30. A banking analyst with BT Securities, Martin Duncan, said it was "psychologically important" for Westpac to have "finally got rid of a position which was hanging over them."

He said the sale was unrelated to the appointment last month of the American banker Robert Joss as Westpac's managing director.

Mr. Joss replaced Frank Conroy, who resigned in December after a dispute with Kerry Packer, the owner of a 10 percent stake, over the pace of cutting within the bank.

A Potter Warburg analyst. James Falkiner, said Westpac had changed its strategy since buying into ANZ at a time when banks believed they needed shares in their competitors in case of rationalization in the banking industry.

"A 5 to 10 percent stake in another bank doesn't seem to be as relevant as it did at the

ANZ also has been hit by problem loans. Heavily dependent on the depressed Victoria state economy, it reported a loss of 579 million dullars in the year that ended Sept. 30.

# Central Bank Denies Misleading Farrow Holders

SYDNEY - The Reserve Bank of Australia on Monday rejected the Victoria government's allegation that it misled state officials about

BEIJING -- China is seeking a loan of nearly a

half billion dollars from the World Bank to expand

grain storage facilities after several years of bump-

The request for \$490 million, which would be the

largest World Bank loan for a single project in

China, is needed because "our present storage and

transport methods are backward," said Chen Fei,

A World Bank official confirmed that work was

er harvests, an official said Monday.

an official of the Ministry of Commerce.

the financial status of Farrow Corp., the defunct banking group.

The central bank said that court actions against it regarding Far-

row's failure were "groundless and completely unsustainable."

bank, Bernie Fraser, said the claims

were based on "incorrect information and inaccurate inferences." He said the bank would take all occessary action to defend itself.

Farrow, which owned the troubled mortgage lender Pyramid, went into liquidation in 1990 with losses of 1 billion dollars (\$680 million) after a rush of withdrawals by depositors.

I Last week, the Victoria govern-The governor of the central ment said it intended to sue the central bank, charging it had mis-

China Seeking \$490 Million Loan

led former state government ministers, who had reassured investors about Farrow's financial condition. state elections in October.

Former shareholders of Pyramid are suing the Victoria government for misleading them about the fi-nancial health of the mortgage lender.

On Friday, the central bank was served with court documents by the at the time former government offi-Victoria government solicitor that cials made a statement reassuring

proceeding on the loan but stressed that the final

amount and other details had yet to be determined. He said the proposal would likely be presented to

Ms. Chen said the government will match the loan dollar for dollar as part of what the official

China Daily described as a five-year-plan to build storehouses for up to 15 billion kilograms (17

Grain output last year was 442.6 million tons, up

1.7 percent from the previous year. More than 10 percent was stored in the open, China Daily said.

million tons) of grain along key rail lines.

the board in mid-year.

ousted the Labor Party in Victoria

The Victoria attorney general recently claimed that the new govern-ment had become aware that the central bank "was in possession of considerable information concerning the financial state of Pyramid'

Pyramid investors.

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# Mitsubishi And SGS Weigh Tie

TOKYO - Mitsubishi Electric Corp. said Monday it was negotiating with SGS-Thomson Microelectronics NV to cooperate in developing flash memory chips.

A Japanese economie daily reported over the weekend that the two companies would agree on wide-ranging technological and sales cooperation by early March, but the spokesman said nothing has been decided yet.

Analysts estimate demand for flash chips, which can store data when power is switched off, could multiply 50-fold to 1.0 trillion yee (\$8 billion) by the end of the decade.

Last year, Toshiba Corp. and International Business Machines Corp. announced a tie-up in flash memory chips.

Meanwhile, NEC Corp. said it was developing a chip that could store data as well as process it. (AFX, Remers, UPI)

## **Japan Probes Salomon Unit**

Compiled by Our Staff From Despatches

TOKYO - The Japanese stock market watchdog has begun routine investigations of the Tokyo branch of Salomon Brothers Asia Ltd. and of Yamaichi Securities Co., spokesmen for the brokerages said Monday. It is the Securities and Exchange Surveillance Commission's first inspection of a foreign broker since it was set up last year. It said the probes of the two companies were contine matters and would probably last less than two months. There are believed to be six inspectors working at Salomon and about 30 at Yamaichi, a much larger firm.

A commission spokesman described as speculative a report that the investigation of Salomon would focus on trading in Japanese stock-index futures. The commission reportedly bas carried our similar probes at more than 10 Japanese securities companies. Inspections of brokerages are conducted every two to five years. (AFP, Reuters)



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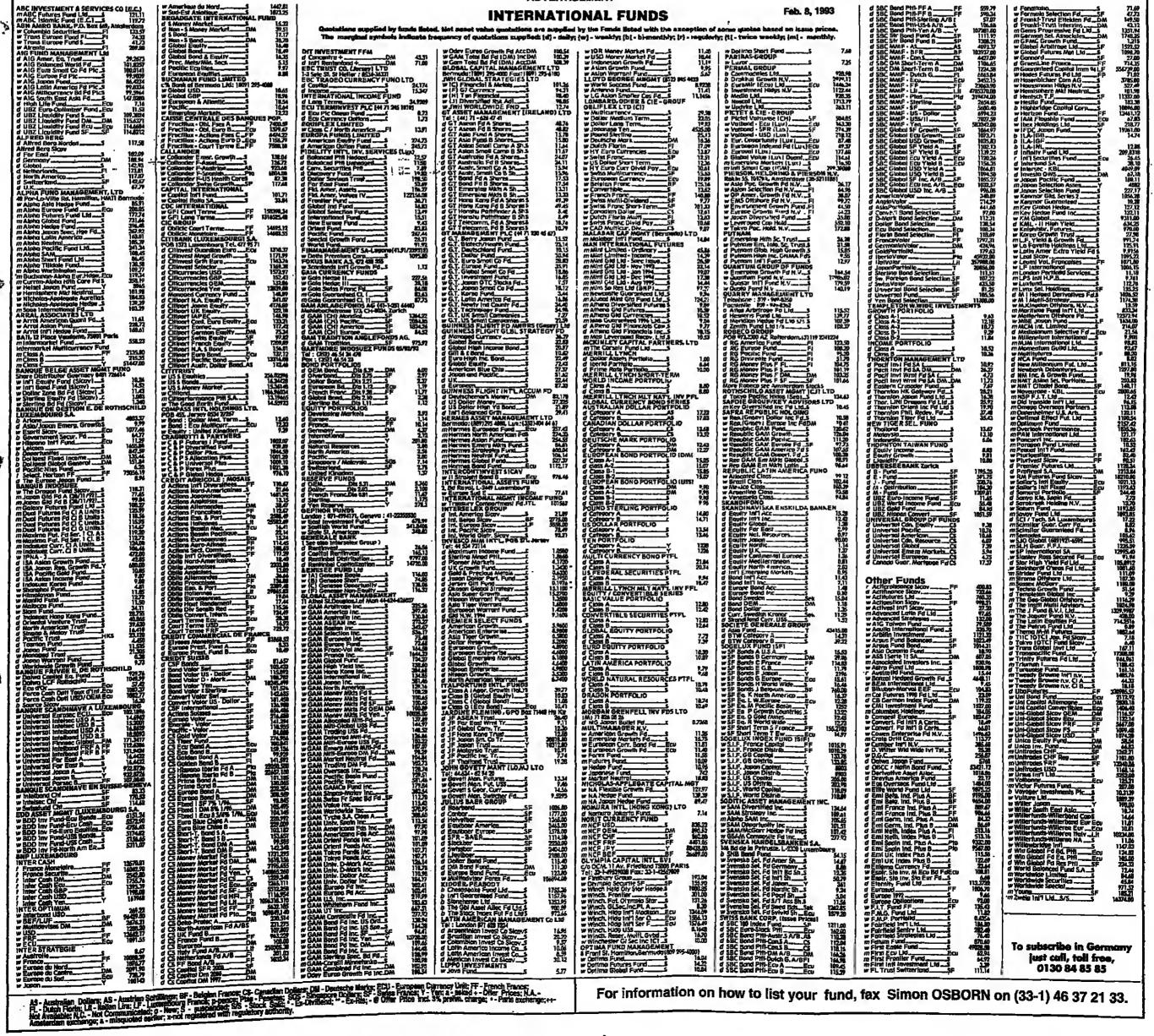
Japan for \$106 million in cash. Bharat Gold Mines Ltd. owned by the Indian government plans to close the last two operating mines in the century-old Kolar fields near Bangalore by 1994, and 12,000 workers stand to lose their jobs.

· Acer Peripherals Inc., an affiliate of Acer Inc., Taiwan's biggest personal computer maker, received Taipei government approval to open a keyboard factory in Shanghai.

· Pacific Magazine & Printing Ltd., 45 percent owned by Rupert Murdoch's News Corp., said net profit for the six months ended Dec. 31 rose 17 percent to 31.4 million Australian dollars (\$21.1 million).

• The Philippines began discussions with the International Monetary Fund on a three-year economic program expected to include \$800 million to \$1 billion in fresh loans; Manila also is seeking IMF approval to loosen controls on inflation and deficit spending.

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# **Erving and Walton Among 8 Elected** To Hall of Fame

SPRINGFIELD. Massachusetts -Julius Erving, who took pro basketball to new heights, and Bill Walton, noted for his pinpoint passing, were among eight players elected Monday to the Basketball Hall of Fame.

Joining them at induction cere-monies May 10 will be NBA stars Walt Bellamy, Dan Issel, Dick McGuire and Calvin Murphy, So-viet Olympic standout Ulyana Semyonova and UCLA and Olympic

myonova and UCLA and Olympic star Ann Meyers.

"You can't believe how I am," Erving said. "Right now, everything has been racing through my head. I'm trying not to explode."

"I am very surprised," Walton said. "It's the greatest honor that any basketball player can ever have. It's something you dream about your whole life."

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Murphy, 44, said he hoped his election would help him serve as a role model for young people, with whom he works at an educational and sports academy he founded in

"I want the voungsters to understand anything you work toward in a positive direction can happen," he said. "I'm not just talking athlet-ics. I'm talking education, politics, whatever level.

The 7-foot (2.1-meter) Semyonova was nominated by a special committee established in honor international greats. The Hall of Fame, which inducted its first women in 1985, also has a special

women's nominating committee.
Walton, who led UCLA to two NCAA titles and played on NBA championship teams in Portland and Boston, and Erving were nominated in their first year of eligibil-

ity. Both retired in 1987.
Former UCLA coach John Wooden had no doubts about two of the picks.

"Strictly on the fundamentals, shooting, rebounding, inspiration and all that, I'd have to rate Walton over any of the great centers that ever played the game," said Wooden, the only man ever to be inducted into the Hall of Fame both as a player and a coach.

"Annie was one who really got women's basketball going," Wood-en said. "She was the first four-year women's All-America and the only woman who ever signed a professional contract with the NBA. She was a complete player and great

Meyers held 12 of 13 school records when she graduated and led UCLA to the 1978 AIAW championship. She also played on the U.S. Olympic team that won a silver medal in 1976 — the gold was won hy the Semyonova-led Soviet team - and was the first MVP of the

Women's Professional League. After playing two years at Mas-sachusetts, Erving began a 16-year pro career with the Virginia Squires of the American Basketball Associ-ation in 1971. He was the league's most valuable player in 1974 and 1976 when he led the New York Nets to the ABA championship. In 1976, Erving, one of three

players in pro basketball history to

score more than 30,000 career points, joined the Philadelphia 76ers. An 11-time NBA All-Star, he was named the league's most valuable player in 1981 and led the 76crs to the 1983 NBA champion-

His athleticism, leaping ability and acrobatic slam dunks made Erving one of the game's outstanding

Walton first attracted national attention at UCLA, where his Bruins' teams compiled an 86-4 record. Perhaps his best college performance was in the 1973 NCAA final against Memphis State, when he made 21 of 22 field-goal attempts.

Nagging injuries slowed his 10-year professional career with the Trail Blazers, Clippers and Celtics. But in 1977, he helped the Trail Blazers win the NBA championship and was named the league's most valuable player in 1978. In 1986, he received the NBA's Sixth Man Award for coming off the bench to help the Celtics win the NBA title.

Walton was not only known for his scoring, but also for his accurate outlet passes that led in easy fastbreak baskets.

Bellamy, a 196t graduate of In-diana and member of the 1960 U.S. Olympic team, scored 20,941 points and had 14,241 rebounds over a 14-year pro career with Chicago, New York, Detroit, Atlanta and New Orleans.

Issel, now coach of the Denver Nuggets, averaged more than 22.3 points per game during a 15-year pro career that included five years with the Kentucky Colonels of the ABA and 10 years with the Nug-

McGuire, one of the game's pre-miere point guards, had 2,950 assists in an 11-year pro career, including eight years with the Knicks and three years with Detroit. He later coached the Pistons and the Knicks, His brother Al was inducted into the Hall of Fame last year.

Murphy, at 5-foot-9, was one of the first small men to make a big impact on the modern game. The 1970 Niagara graduate scored 17,949 points during a 13-year pro-career with the Rockets, including more than 1.000 points in 11 straight seasons. Murphy still holds the NBA record for consecutive

The Associated Press

The biggest upset in a weekend of college basketball upsets came in

Lincoln, Nebraska, where No. 3

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Kansas lost for the 13th time in its

last 17 games at the Bob Devaney Sports Complex.

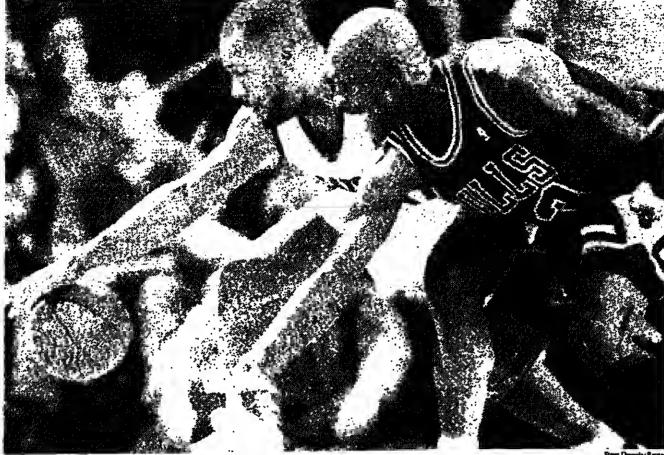
Freshman Terrance Badgett led

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Kario Elie kept the ball away from Michael Jordan, but the Trail Blazers lost their fourth straight and the Bulls won their fourth.

# Barkley, With a Little Magic, Makes O'Neal Disappear as the Suns Win

O'Neal departed the game in Phoenix with 3:16 still left to play Sunday after logging 20 points -14 in the first quarter when his thunderous dunk collapsed the backboard supports. That delayed the nationally televised game for 35

"The thing started coming forward, and I thought the whole thing was going to fall on me for a minute." O'Neal said.

It didn't, but Barkley turned the rookie center into a fall guy while leading the Suns to a 121-105 victory - their 15th straight at home.

five meetings with the Jayhawks 118-3, 5-1), including a home game

ast season in which they won on a

"I think we give them our best

shot every year." Nehraska for-ward Bruce Chubick said. "Our

crowd really got up for us today. They gave us a lift."

Rex Walters opened the second

a second-half surge and made some key plays at the end that lifted Kansas a 12-point lead. But Bad-Nebraska to a 68-64 upset on Sungett scored six points in a 11- (18-3, 7-2 big Tent and Juwan 11- (18-3).

last-second basket.

day. The Cornhuskers (15-7, 2-4 point Husker run that put Ne- Howard added 18,

"He's got to learn, and that's oing to take some time." said Barkley, who got half of his 28 points and nine of his 19 rebounds in the fourth quarter while he faked and tricked the rookie center into

The Suns outscored the Magic by In the first quarter, Shaquille
O'Neal caved in the basket. In the fourth quarter, O'Neal caved to
Classic Parkley.

"There were a lot of questionable calls," O'Neal said, "I'll get those

#### **NBA HIGHLIGHTS**

calls next year, when I'm a veteran. They've never seen a rookie like me before, and they don't know how to call things.

Another rookie. Richard Dumas, put on a slamfest for the Suns, oning a career-high 31 points. Bulls 101, Trail Blazers 91: Port-

land's losing streak reached four with its third straight at home. Michael Jordan had 34 points and 11 rebounds as Chicago won ils fourth straight game with one

left on an eight-game trip. Portland has lost four in a row for the first time since March 1, 1991, and three straight at home for

Nebraska led, 66-64, with about

15 seconds left when Walters drove

for the basket and kicked the ball

out. Badgett came up with the ball,

raced for the basket and made a

Michigan playing at home, held two 15-point leads in the second

half and Purdue could pull no clos-

No. 7 Michigan 84. Purdue 76:

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layup to wrap up the win.

of the team had sexual contact with two 16-year-old girls in Salt Lake

Nets 105, Bucks 102: Drazen Petrovic scored 27 points and Kenny Anderson 19 as visiting New Jersey withstood a late rally for its sixth straight victory over Milwaukee in

Derrick Coleman added 18 points and 15 rebounds for the visiting Nets. Bernard King, signed by the Nets on Saturday after a lengthy rehabilitation of an injured

knee, did not play. Celtics 87. Warriors 82: Without injured Chris Mullin, their scoring leader, the visiting Warriors switched to a slowdown offense. The result: their lowest point total this season, while Kevin Gamble had 20 points and Reggie Lewis added 19 for the Celtics.

It was only the third time this season the Warriors have scored fewer than 100 points, and the only

then went on a 15-0 run.

their 13th straight victory.

gie Hall.

The Wildcars converted 14 of 16

free throws in the final 4:46 for

No. 13 Wake Forest 106, Temple

69: In Philadelphia. Temple suf-

fered its worst loss ever at McGoni-

Wake Forest 115-31, which got 34

points from Rodney Rogers and 26

from Randolph Childress, held a 49-21 lead at halftime.

## **British Open** Qualifying: tions surfaced that some members Set in Japan

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland Asian golfers seeking to gain a place in this year's British Open tournament will play in their own qualifying tournament in Japan, officials announced Monday.

The Royal and Ancient Club of St. Andrews, the administrative body for the championship, said the move was made in recognition of the problems Asian players have in breaking off from their own tours to take part in qualifying tournaments in Britain.

The qualifying competition in Japan will be organized by the Japanese Golf Association and the Japanese Professional Golfers' As-

No dates for the qualifying rounds have been arranged but the British Open, being held this year at Sandwich, in southeast England, is on July 15-18.

#### ■ Ogle Wins by 3 Shots

 Brett Ogle bounced back from a missed 2-foot putt and a drive No. 8 Arizona 93, California 81: Arizona (15-2, 9-0 Pac-10) had a 71-49 lead with 9:42 left, but Cal that was lost in the sands hy the Pacific to cruise to a three-shot victory Sunday at the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, The New York Times reported from Pehble Beach, California.

> Ogle. 28, an Australian who is a rookie on the PGA Tour, hirdied three of the final six holes to oull away from Billy Ray Brown and carn the \$225,000 first-place check and a vitally important first victory in the United States.

Greg Twiggs, Joey Sindelar and Trevor Dodds tied for third at 280

#### of the game by the Chiefs' Lowe As a footnote to the game, Datlas's Troy Aikman, one of three Football Conference dominated NFC quarterbacks, mysteriously left Aloha Stadium early in the again-Only this time, the American fourth quarter. Asked if Aikman had spoken with him about leaving, the NFC

Mustering just 114 yards of total offense to the NFC's Pro Bowlcoach, George Seifert, said: "No, we did not discuss it. I think we'll record 472 yards, the AFC made its own breaks Sunday for a 23-20 Overtime victory.
The AFC, which has lost mine just have to check into it and see what happened." straight Super Bowls and had won

NFC Piles Up the Yards

But Loses Pro Bowl on

**Fumble in Overtime** 

HONOLULU - The National

Football Conference won.

Aikman said Monday that he slipped out early because he had a ust one of the last four Pro Bowls, flight to catch to Texas. "I talked to some of the players," he said, that: "failed to tell the coaches." blocked two field goal attempts and turned those into 10 points, got another 10 points with the help of interceptions and, finally, at 4:09

Aikman played in the second quarter and the first series of the of overtime, converted a fumble by San Francisco's Steve Young into Nick Lowery's 33-yard field goal. As a sign of how the game went, Buffalo's special-teams star, Steve third, completing 10 of 15 for 120 yards and a 9-yard scoring pass to Dallas teammate Michael Irvin.

The AFC's other scores came on.

Tasker, was voted most valuable player of the first Pro Bowl to go a 31-yard interception return by San Diego's Junior Seau, a 42-yard field goal by Lowery after the Chargers' Leslic O'Neal blocked an He blocked a field goal attempt by Morten Andersen of New Or-Andersen field goal try and Mileans in the fourth quarter and bob-bled the ball down the field. Terry ami's Bryan Cox returned the ball to the NFC 35, and Lowery's 29 yard field goal after the Bills Hen-McDaniel of the Los Angeles Raiders finally scooped the ball up and ry Jones intercepted an Aikman ran 28 yards for an AFC touch-down that made it 20-13 with eight minutes left in regulation.

Young, to send the game into overtime, drove the NFC down the

Andersen field goals of 27 and 37 yards accounted for the NFC's oth-

There were a few impressive offensive numbers put up by the NFC, including Young's 18-of-32-passing for 196 yards while playing less than half the game, and eight down pass to Rodney Hampton of But Young, who threw three in-terceptions, then lost the fumble in receptions by Atlanta's Andre Rison, tying a record shared by Steve overtime when Derrick Thomas of Kansas City tackled him from be-Largent and Irvin, for 80 yards. The 49ers' Jerry Rice had four hind. Howie Long of the Raiders catches for 78 yards, giving him 20 fell on the ball at the NFC 28-yard in the Pro Bowl and surpassing line, setting up the third field goal Walter Payton's career mark of 18.

## NHL Players in Olympics Seems Extremely Unlikely

field and threw a 23-yard touch-

the New York Giants on fourth-and-12 with 10 seconds left.

tremely unlikely that the National Hockey League will be able to reach a compromise that would allow its players to represent their native countries next year in the Winter Olympics in Lillehammer.

"No decision was made yet, we're still looking at it," the NHL's new commissioner. Gary Bettman, the idea obclosing down arenas for said Sunday after his first meeting three weeks while their highly paid with the league's board of governors. "We still have a little bit more homework to do on that issue. The question is whether or not we can season any more than it has to." make it work.

He described his first meeting with the board of governors as very uneventful."

Basically, we had a husiness session," Bettman said. "Tupdated the governors on the issues that I was focused on, things that 'l thought we needed to do, for the immediate Inture." One of those issues was whether

to send NHL players to the 1994 Winter Olympics. The issue has splintered the club

Citing the exposure the National Basketball Association got with the

MONTREAL — It seems ex-remely unlikely that the National NHL owners are in favor of Olympic participation by their attention-

starved league.

But a strong contingent disapproves of the idea, because to take part in the Games, the NHL would have to interrupt its season for approximately 16 or 17 days. These owners aren't thrilled with:

players ign off to Europe for an .. international tournament. And the league doesn't want to extend its

"We're just looking for ways to minimize the break, if we're going to do it," Bettman said. "One of the hings that I was looking at was how the break could be done as small as possible."

Bettman said he did not yet have a sense of how the governors felt about the "Dream Team" concept because he had no concrete plans to offer them. "I think that before I ask them

for a sense, and a vote up or down; I need to have it buttoned down," he said. "There's no point in voting on things in the abstract."

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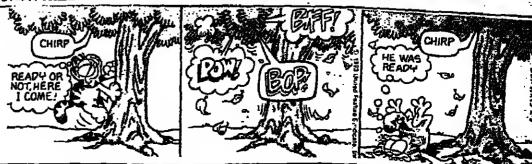












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# SPORTS

# A Very Good Player, A Much Better Man **Ashe: Role Model for Many**

By Ira Berkow

THE MORE I read about the world of tennis, and Arthur Ashe's role in it, the more I began to dream of its possibilities," Mark Mathabane wrote in his autobiography, "Kaffir Boy." recalling the period around 1970 when he was a young black child living under the tyranny of appropriate in South Africa. apartheid in South Africa.

"What if I too were someday to attain the same fame and fortune as "What if I too were someday to attain the same table and to tune as
Arthur Ashe?" Mathabane wrote. "Would whites respect me as they did
him? Would I be as free as he? The dreams were tantalizing, but I knew
they were only dreams. Nevertheless,
I kept dreaming; after all, what harm could that do me?"

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Arthur Ashe, by his intelligence, his dignity, his courage and his commitment, fought fights on several fronts, most recently against AIDS, which he said he contracted from a hlood transfusion during a heart operation 10 years ago, and which led to his death at age 49.

his death at age 49.

He organized the Arthur Ashe Foundation for the Defeat of AIDS. But he also battled for an end to discrimination, in regard not just to race but 'He was a voice for all the minorities," Pam Shriver, a tennis player,

said Sunday. "And that goes for womeo, too. He brought a level of conscience to the game, whether he was speaking on South Africa or Topic State inner-city minorities or exclusionary policies any place. Arthur's influence on tennis didn't fade after he left the sport.

Ashe retired as an active tennis player in 1980, after a brief comeback following a heart attack. The fact that he was the first black man to win the United State Open in 1989.

the United States Open, in 1968, and Wimhledon, in 1975 -he is still the only black man to have won either event - was the crown of his tennis career. But the hope he offered many by all of his achievements was perhaps an even greater glory.

"He's always been, for black players, someone to look up to and someone who says, 'You can do it; it doesn't matter where you come from or how you look,' " said Zina Garrison-Jackson, a black woman from Houston who is a prominent tennis competitor,

Ashe sought to bring light into the darkness of ignorance by virtue of education, and he often rankled some.

"I have become convinced," he said. "that we blacks spend too much time on the playing field and too little in the libraries."

He was the author of a three-volume book on the history of hlacks in sports, "A Hard Road to Glory," published in 1988. It is a scholarly work, and it suited Ashe's bent: A graduate of UCLA, he once said that had he not been a professional tennis player he might have become a college. not been a professional tennis player, he might have become a college English or philosophy professor.

T N HIS EARLY YEARS as a tennis standout, Ashe appeared shy and

a. reluctant to take stands. It seemed enough for him to make his way up the ladder of the game, without having to combat the social issues, But he soon became involved. In 1970 he began a controversial campaign to obtain a visa to play tennis in South Africa. When the South African government turned him down, solely because of his color, Ashe was

At a news conference in London, he said that he would "like to drop the H-bomh on Johannesburg," where the South African Open was held. Some — including his friend and rival, Rod Laver — thought this was going too far.
"I don't think that was a very helpful thing to say," Laver said at the

time. "I've never felt you should mix sports and politics." But Ashe's stand was inspiring for others, like Mathabane, the young South African, who did become a promising junior player.

In 1973, Ashe got the visa to South Africa. "His coming meant so much to blacks in South Africa, who literally worshipped American blacks who proved that they could triumph in a white man's world; a world that many of us believed was booby-trapped with all sorts of obstacles designed to sink blacks deeper into the mire of squalor and servitude, where white people wanted them to belong," wrote Mathabane, who with particular help from Stan Smith, one of Ashe's best friends, left South Africa in 1978 with a tennis scholarship to Limestone

College in Gaffney, South Carolina.

Another young African player was literally discovered by Ashe, at a tennis clinic in Cameroon, and went on to compete at the sport's highest level. On Sunday, that player, Yannick Noah, said, "It was thanks to him that I could have a career in tennis. It was him who, when I was young, gave me the dream."

Noah, a French Open champion, played doubles with Ashe at Wimble-

"I remember I fell into his arms as though we had just won the final."

Noah said. "Six years earlier, he had autographed a poster for me saying,
I hope some day we'll see each other at Wimbledon." About his role as a leader, and particularly as a black leader, Ashe once

"Others are more important, more cosmic, and whereas I don't see myself as Jackie Robinson or even a Rosa Parks, neither a trail hlazer nor a pawn of history, I do think I'm just a little bit of progress."

"He was being humble when he said that," the Reverend Jesse Jackson said on Sunday. "But Arthur Ashe was in that tradition of great leaders.

He earned that status not by proclaiming it, but by living it."

Time, meanwhile, will determine Ashe's role in history, and his legacy. From here, it looks considerable.

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Lasse Kjus, racing through a heavy snow, overtook teammate Kjetil Andre Asmodt in the second slalom run.

# 1-2 Finish for Norway In Men's Combined

SHIZUKUISHI, Japan - Lasse Kjus overtook his teammate Kjetil Andre Aamodt in the second slalom run Monday, giving Norway a 1-2 finish in the men's combined at the World Alpine Ski Championships.

As snow cascaded down on the Mount Taka-kura course, Aamodt skied strongly to overtake Jure Kosir of Slovenia, the first-run leader, and win the slalom portion of the two-race event. But Kjus was only 0.45 seconds back of Aa-modt, a finish that, combined with his perfor-mance in the downhill, was enough to give him

That made him Norway's first world champion since Sten Eriksen won three titles at Are, Sweden, in 1954.

"I was always considered a giant-slalom skier," Kjus said. "Maybe I should think of skiing more slalom. For the second run, I have done this many times in Alpine races before, so I tried to do what I did before, just concentrate

After three runs over almost three miles (five kilometers] of mountain in two days, the teammates were separated by a mere 0.05 seconds in the final rendering.

Marc Girardelli of Luxembourg, third after the morning slalom run, won the bronze. Combined scoring is based on a skier's mar-

gin in time behind the winner of a downhill and a slalom. The margin is converted into penalty points on a sliding scale that takes into account the extreme length of a downhill and the relative brevity of a slalom hill.

Kjus was a half-second faster than Aamodt in the downhill and posted a combined penalty of 34.22 points. Aamodt was second with 36.09 and Girardelli had 36.27.

"The downhill was the difference," said Kjus, who seldom races in the event. "This was a relatively easy downhill, so you could try to go fast and do well without taking a lot of risks."

It was the first major international victory lor Kjus, 22, who has three seconds, including one this year, as his best World Cup performances.

Aamodt, winner of the Olympic super-giant slatom and bronze medalist in the giant slatom, settled for a silver on Monday. But he had the consolation of winning the slatom portion of the event. Kosir stumbled a few gates from the end and that made the difference, as Aamodt won in 1 minute, 21.15 seconds to Kosir's 1:21.28. Kjus was third in 1:21.60.

"I hoped to win the gold today, but I made a mistake on the second run so I lost it there," Asmodt said.

Girardelli, a four-time World Cup overall champion and one of the best all-event skiers ever, briefly held the combined lead, since racers began the second run in reverse order of the first-run time. But his second-run time of 42.74 seconds doomed him to the bronze; Kjus (42.65) and Aamodi (42.62) each had faster

Girardelli had won all three World Cup combined events this season, with Aamod! finishing second in two.

Austria's Gunther Mader had a terrible first slalom run, which wiped away the downhill advantage he had achieved over the Norwe-gians and Girardelli. He was 1.66 seconds back in the morning and could not improve on that, settling for fourth overall.

Luc Alphand of France, the downhill winner finished 23d in the slalom and sixth in the combined. The defending combined champion. Austria's Stefan Eberharter, failed to finish the first slalom run and was eliminated.

The men's combined slatom, scheduled for Sunday but postponed because of rain, was the only event raced on Monday. The women's giant slalom was also scheduled, but the heavy snow that followed a weekend of steady rain was too much for course workers to clear.

The tentative schedule for Tuesday called for the women's slalom and men's giam slalom. A bit of drama concerning the latter race developed Sunday night when Italy's Atherto Tomba, the two-time Olympic giant slalom champion, was bedridden with the flu. Tomba was told not to train on Monday. Paul Accola of Switzerland, the defending

World Cup champion who is trying for a come-back after hurting his knee in December, failed to qualify for his nation's giant-slalom team. He was beaten out of a place by Urs Kaclin in a training race Monday, team officials said.

• Teams at the world championships have collected more than a million yen (\$8,000) in a charity effort for the children of Sarajevo.

Jurij Franko of Slovenia, giant-slalom silver medalist at the 1984 Wioter Olympics in Saraje-vo, said at a news conference on Monday that the Norwegian squad had started "Ski Teams for Peace in Sarajevo,"

"This important part of the world champion-ships was instigated by the Norwegian team and joined by the other teams," said Franko, who is working as a translator and official at the world championships, He said the money that was being collected

would be sent to relief projects. (AP, UPI, Reuters)

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#### NHL's Lindros Found Not Guilty

OSHAWA, Ontario (AP) - Eric Lindros, the rookie star of the NHL's Philadelphia Flyers, was found not guilty Monday of common assault charges stemming from allegations that he spat beer on a woman. He had faced a maximum fine of \$2,000 or six months in jail.

Justice Rhys Morgan, who said defense evidence raised reasonable out, also suggested that Lindros, 19, drop counter-charges against Lynn Numey, a 24-year-old factory worker who alleged that he spat and poured beer on her at a nightcluh in November.

 Eighty-two people had been hospitalized, some in serious condition. after they were overcome by carbon monoxide produced by an icesurfacing machine at a hockey match in Rennes, France, local officials said Monday. (Renters)

#### Beijing: Would Share With Taiwan

TOKYO (UPI) — A Chinese Olympic official said Monday that his country would be willing to share part of the 2000 Games with Taiwan if

Zhenliang He, a vice-president of the International Olympic Commit-tee and a vice-chairman of the Beijing bid committee, said baseball would be the most appropriate sport for Taiwan to host. He is in Japan seeking help for Beijing's Olympic bid from political and business leaders and the Japanese Olympic Committee.

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WASHINGTON — Television has changed the way law enforcement people approach their professions. Every policeman and delective has to be prepared to appear on a television show for 15

This is why Lee Goldenhorn, a stage director, founded the Police Academy for Dramatic Arts where officers receive acting training in front of the news

cameras. Lee claims to be from the realistic school of law-busting.

"When my students leave here, they are prepared to act in any police car theft on

Buchwald 'Hard Copy' to a first-degree homicide on '60 Minutes. He took me in the back to a large

'We're doing a hostage scene today. Very few police officers know how to deal with the media in this

Lee then yelled through his bullborn to the actor-officers milling around, "O.K., here's the drill. The bank is being robbed and 45 people are being held hostage inside. Sulli-van, you arrive on the scene what's the first thing you do?"
"I draw my gun and hide behind

my police cruiser."
"No, you don't. You open up a space so that CBS, NBC and ABC can set up their cameras. They have to have a clear shot of the bank, or they'll go to the mayor and com-plain. Tom Brokaw comes along.

#### McCartney: New World Tour The Associated Press

LONDON - Paul McCarmey launched an international concert tour with a spirited defense of his right to speak out on environmental and human rights issues. The "New World Tour" is his first international tour since the "Get Back" concert series in 1989-90, which publicized the activities of the environmental group Friends of the Earth. It officially opens March 5 in Perth. Australia.

"I tell Brokaw that I can't talk to him now because I have to save the

That is NOT what you tell Brokaw. You grab the microphone he is offering and you say, 'Tom. my name is Officer Sullivan and it doesn't look good. The man is armed and dangerous.

"Then Tom asks, 'Why don't you Sullivan says, "We have to wait for the CBS and ABC crews."

Lee smiled and nodded his head.

"Now this is important, Sullivan, and it will decide whether you'll make the evening news or not. You look straight into the camera and say. The hostages have less chance than a spotted owl at a lumber-

Yes, sir. How long do I wait?" "Not long. Dan Rather has just arrived in his '48 Hours' truck. He doesn't have much time because he's about to leave for Afghanistan. He turns to you and says, 'How is it shaping up? You reply, with all the authority you can muster, 'I have 14 people on the roof, the street is losed off, and I'm sbutting down Sears Roebuck and laying off 50,000 people."
"Do I call him Dan?"

"Of course, you do, It makes for

"Mr. Goldenhorn, I'm getting a little worried about the hostages. Would it bother you if I lobbed a tear-gas grenade into the bank?" "It wouldn't bother me, but how

do you think Peter Jennings is go-ing to feel if he shows up and you've already tear-gassed the building? Besides, you have to stall for the CNN crew. "How do I do that?"

"Go to a commercial, O.K., we've waited for ABC long enough, Now let's approach the bank for the rescue, Make certain that the TV stations have miked you. Stay in camera range at all times. This is it - the moment you have been waiting for, when all your acting classes finally pay off. Go. go. go. You apprehend the robber and rescue all the bostages! Now you return to the media pen and hold your finger up to indicate that you are No. 1, look straight into the cameras and say with a grin, 'Hi,

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# Michael Kamen: It All Came Up Roses

By Mike Zwerin

C ANNES — You guys play all the right notes on the wrong instruments," said the legendary producer Jerry Wexler to Michael Kamen and his coborts. The New York Rock & Roll Ensemble. It was 25 years ago, they were Julliard students, there were two oboes in the front line. Nobody had ever fused rock and baroque before. They wore juxedos on stage.

A Bach chamber work would connect rhythm and blues numbers to Kamen originals like "Fields of Joy" (recently revived by Lenny Kravitz). He played oboe, keyboards,

The adventure began with dances for the Juilliard Students Union and before it was over they were opening for Sly And The Family Stone, Sam and Dave were opening for them and they recorded five (Kamen-pro-

Developing "a real taste for blending rock and classical traditions," he orchestrated music for the Eusemble to perform with Arthur Fiedler and The Boston Pops and Leonard Bernstein conducting the New York Philharmon-

But rock's limitations were beginning to frustrate him. When the Harkness Ballet commissioned a piece, be decided to move on. He'd continue composing music reflecting contemporary society, but for symphony or-

Moving backward and lorward in time while exploring stylistic boundaries, he has become one of the most versatile, ubiquitous and world-wise composers of film music — and the hottest. Bryan Adams's recording of "(Everything 1 Do) 1 Do It For You," a song from Kamen's triple-platinum score for "Robin Hood: Prince Of Thieves." sold 10 million copies. A recording of his saxopbone concerto for David Sanborn was released last

He is currently in the studio taping his Concerto for Eric Clapton and Orchestra. An opera is beginning to stir his imagination. His score for Terry Gilliam's film "Brazil" was recently released on CD. A collaborative effort with Sting and Clapton. "It's Probably Me" from "Lethal Weapon III," is a hit,

In Cannes, be was president of MIDEM's International Visual Music Awards jury, a presugious post reflecting the respect of his peers. But Kamen does not write movie music to pay for the Jacuzzi, this isn't some hand-wringing compromise to work out with the shrink. He scores films as if they were ballets. The music corresponds to motion," (Coming up: "The Last Action Hero," an Arnold Schwarzenegger blockbuster.)

Whether playing Bach on the oboe in church for \$10 or making a bundle "per dot" for a big-budget film, he's never been able to equate a dollar value to a note of music. He "just wanted to make good music and miraculously I've been rewarded." It is extremely unlikely that be really considers it mirac-

ulous, he's perfectly aware of his talent. Lack of confi-dence is not one of his problems. A gregarious personality and a flair for collaboration ("t like people, I like working with people") provide him with an additional edge. One way or another, doors have opened with unusual ease.

Having already done the arrangements for the record-Percussionist Ray Cooper, who later played with Claping, he came to London (where he still lives, with his wife



His musical adventures began with dances at Juilliard 25 years ago. Now he is one of the most versatile, ubiquitous and worldwise composers of film music and the hottest.

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and two children) to work on Pink Floyd's film version of

ton, was on the date and was so impressed by the music that he went out of his way to introduce Kamen to Terry Gilliam of Monty Python's Flying Circus. Scores for "Brazil" and "The Adventures of Baron Munchausen"

Back in the '60s and '70s, he had liked "parking my rock band in front of an orchestra." It "connected the diverse elements of my life." When The New York Rock & Roll Ensemble broke up, be thought: "Too bad, I won't be able

to do that any more." A decade later, after writing orchestral settings for rock acts like Eurythmics, Kate Bush, Metallica, David Bowie, Darryl Hall and Aerostath, one day it hit him: "Well whal do you know? I'm doing it again."

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He spoke briskly, with the assurance of someone who has thought the problem through thoroughly: "In this day and age most kids studying to be classical musicians also have guitars, samplers and computers. So it's important to not only respect classical tradition, but to recognize that rock 'n' roll is the new classical music. This is the music of our era. Classical music is no longer necessarily just an

our era. Classical music is no longer necessarily just an exercise performed by experts."

"Brazil" was about the song, not the country. It symbolized freedom of expression and the freedom to dream. The song represents the last beantiful thing remaining in a world of bureaucracy running arnok. So in this case the score was a leading actor rather than a supporting role. Kamen had to find every possible spiritual and musical implication of the melody. He would wake up with "this aching pure, bitter and sweet melody zipping through my head. I finished the film having convinced myself that the melody was my own." melody was my own."

Having been raised not allowed to play with guns or read comic books, writing music for "Lethal Weapon" I, II and III, "Die Hard" and "Die Harder" posed psychic problems: "They are basically violent comic books — writing music for this kind of thing is not what I'm here for. On the other hand, to stand in front of a 90-piece orchestra and have my music come back at me is what I'm here for. My contribution was to help the overall combined effort, to make films that are really enjoyable. They're brilliantly made. You enjoy the people, not the

When the director John McTiernan asked him to use an excerpt from Beethoven's "Ode to Joy" in "Die Hard," Kamen pleaded: "Let me screw around with Wagner. I'll do anything you like with Wagner. I have no computation whatsoever about fooling around with Wagner. But, please, leave 'Ode to Joy' alone. It's a holy piece of music." McTernan convinced him it was a legiturate story point because the bad guys on screen were the inheritors of the bad boys in "Clockwork Orange" who had "performed ultraviolent acts to this rhapsodically beautiful deeply meaningful music."

Kamen's laconic smile reflected someone who has some idea about the responsibilities as well as the thrill of power: "I wouldn't be disrespectful. I wouldn't re-arrange Beethoven. You've got to draw the line someplace. I conducted three minutes of a scherzo. And I only agreed in the first place as long as they agreed to buy the rights to 'Singing in the Rain' so I could fool around with that too. And they did. Making a film is an incredibly complex and intimate collaborative process."

The smile widened: "Sometimes I have to pinch myself I have beautiful kids, a beautiful wife, a beautiful borne, endless possibilities to express whatever I want. My life so far has been one big wish-fulfillment."

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#### **PEOPLE**

More Royals Literature: Fergie's Father's Turn

The Duchess of York, the estranged wife of Prince Andrew who was just beginning to put behind her the scandal over her friendship with her financial adviser, John Bryan, may be facing new prob-lems. In "My Story: The Duchess of York, Her Father and Me." Les-ley Player says she shared a bed with the duchess's father. Major Ron Ferguson, at Sunninghill, the Yorks' marital home. She also says both she and the duchess had atfairs with the Texas businessman Steve Wyatt. . Prince Charles is having image problems of a different kind. According to a Gallup poll, only 4 percent of his future subjects name him as their favorite royal. Princess Diana remains the most popular royal, with 22 per-cent. Meanwhile, "Diana," a two-part TV film based on Andrew Morton's book "Diana — Her True Story," had its premiere on Sunday in Saint Jean-Cap Ferrat.

Marvin M. Mitchelson, the co lebrity divorce lawyer who is charged with tax fraud, spent thou-sands on limousines and hotel-suites while he was being hounded by creditors because he had an image to uphold. Said John Mitchell, his attorney: Tm suggesting to you that suites and limousines are required in terms of his clients." . O 100 mg

Just how much money does Michael Jackson make? The minimum may come our soon thanks to a lawsuit by Hugo Zuccarelli, who invented a high-tech microphone allegedly used to record parts of Jackson's 1987 album "Bad." His attorneys have asked a Los Angeles judge to order Sony to turn over a copy of Jackson's contract, which they say contains the smoking gun-be needs to win.

Don't expect much in the way of pleasantries when the British chess-grandmaster Nigel Short and the world champion Garri Kasparor face off in September. "He's probably one of the most unpleasant peo-ple in the chess world," Short said of his opponent.

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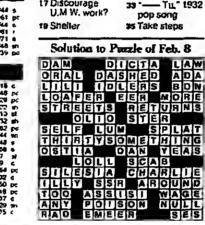
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#### **BOOKS**

#### BONE

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By Fac Myenne Ng. 194 pages. \$19.95. Hyperion. Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

R EMEMBERING the past gives power to the present." says Leila Leong, the narrator of Fae Myenne Ng's incantatory first novel. "Memories do add up." Our memories, she continues, can't count to keep them from becoming

Moving backward in time like Harold Pinter's "Betrayal" or the Stephen Sondheim musical "Mern-ly We Roll Along." "Bone" is a memory-novel, a novel composed of Leila's memories of her family, and her family's memories of their past lives in China and their new

lives in the United States. It is a meditation upon the circumstances surrounding the mysterious suicide of Leila's sister Ona and the reverberations it has on the entire Leong

As Leila tells us, she is the oldest of the three Leong daughters: Ona was the middle sister; Nina, the youngest. Leila's own father disappeared before her hirth, and she regards Leon - her mother's second husband, and the father of Ona and Nina - as her own father. All of the Leongs hlame them-

selves for Ona's death. Leon thinks he's brought bad luck on the family by failing to honor a promise he made to his adoptive father to return his bones to China. Mah. the mother, worries that her own sins having an affair with her boss. Tommy Hon - bave doomed the family to unhappiness.

All three sisters, we learn, have had a difficult time straddling their parents' circumscribed world in San Francisco's Chinatown and the bustling, contemporary world bevond. They feel at once suffocated by Mah and Leon's provincialism and guilty about the freedoms and luxuries they take for granted as Young American womer

Having grown up in San Francisco's Chinatown herself. Ng con-jures the immigrant world of Mah and Leon with the affectionate knowledge of an insider and the observant unsentimentality of an outsider. Blessed with a poet's gift for metaphor and a reporter's eye for detail. Ng writes with grace, authority and grit.

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By Robert Byrne

NIGEL Short, a 28-year-old English grandmaster, handily beat Jan Timman, a 41-year-old Dutch grandmaster, by a score of 7.5-5.5 in the final candidates' match for world champion aspirants in San Lorenzo de El Escor-

As winner. Short went home with \$124,000 - and the title match in August with Garri Kasparov, the world champion.

In the 15 games Short and Kasparov have played over the years. Short has only won once, with 10 losses and four draws.

championship in locland in 1972 by defeating Boris Spassky, a Rusian who now lives in France. Bidding by cities wishing to hold

the championship opened this In Game 2 of the match with Timman, Short blundered grievously to lose a piece. The Flohr-Zaitsev defense to the

Ruy Lopez is dynamic and flexible; its compound of 9...Bb7, 10...Re8 and 11...Bf8 puts a crimp in White's attempts to gain a viable initiative by forcing him to keep his e4 pawn protected by pieces.

For a time it was thought that With his victory, Short became Black could break in the center the first player in 21 years from a with 15...d5. Anatoly Karpov comcountry other than the former Sovi- ments, however, in the current et Union to challenge for the world Chess Informant, No. 55, that 16 crown. The last one was the American Bobby Fischer, who won the Ne5 Qd1 20 Rd1 Re5 21 Bf3 yields

White powerful endgame pressure against the enemy queen's flank.

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Perhaps Short should have tried either 18 b4 or 18 c4; his too-lei-surely 18 Rad1, 19 Qb1 and 20 Bf1 gave Timman time for 20\_ba 21 ba d5, equalizing easily. It would now have been time for the Englishman to liquidate prodently with 22 ed cd 23 Ne5 Ne5 24 de Be5 25 c4, but he pressed on with 22 Qa2 Red8 23 Rcl?! Bh6 24 ed cd and missed a final chance to save himself with 25 de Ne5 26 Rcd1.

aggression with 25 c4? and was socked by Timman's 25\_c4! Perhaps Short had overlooked that after 26 ed Timman could play 26...Qf4! The underlying point was that 27 g3 Ng3! 28 fg Qg3 29 Bg2 ef 30 Nf3 (30 Re8 Re8 31 Nf3 is crushed by

31...Re2) Bc1 31 Re8 Re8 332 Bc1

Instead, he went in for misplaced

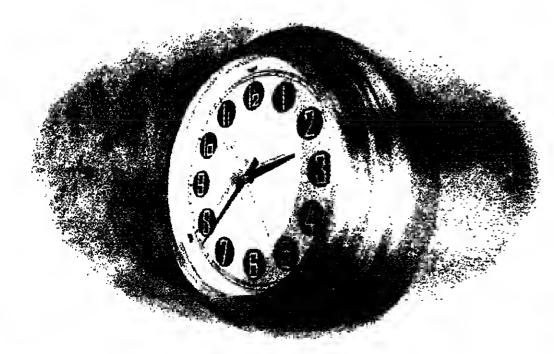
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a piece for Black. In this hypothetical line of play, the alternative 28

Nh2 Qd2 29 fg Be3 30 Kh1 Qf2 31 Bg2 Bc1 32 Re1 e3 is also hopeless

Rather than continue with 2 Rb1, Short could as well called 3 quits. After 27...ef Res 28 Res Res 29 Nf3 Qf5 30 Bc4 Nf4, the hist pieces were swarming all over him-As soon as Short realized that 33 Bh6 would have been wrecked by 33...Nc3, be gave up.





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